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# BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

*of Dover, Massachusetts*

OF THE RESIDENTS OF THAT PART OF DEDHAM, WHICH IS NOW DOVER, WHO TOOK PART IN KING PHILIP'S WAR, THE LAST FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR, AND THE REVOLUTION;—

TOGETHER WITH THE RECORD OF THE SERVICES OF THOSE WHO REPRESENTED DOVER IN THE WAR OF 1812; THE WAR WITH MEXICO; THE CIVIL WAR; AND THE WAR WITH SPAIN

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*On every day of consecration let a tribute of respect and gratitude be paid to her sons, who went forth to fight the battles of their country, especially to those who died that she might live.*

*—Dr. William Everett*

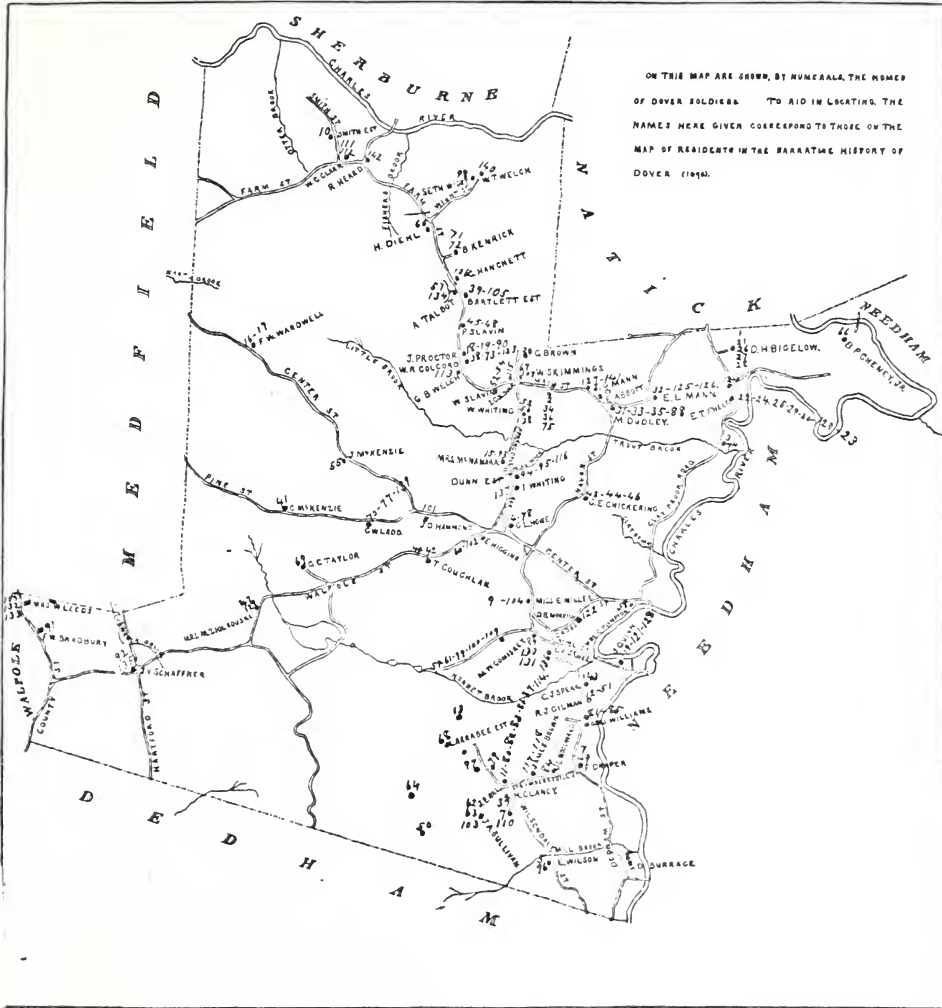
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## PREFACE

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These biographical sketches have been written not alone to preserve the names of the soldiers of the town in the colonial and later wars, but more especially to meet the inquiries of those who may ask in years to come where their ancestors, who represented the town in the various wars were born, or lived, or died. These sketches in many instances will answer these questions and enable the inquirer to definitely locate the home of his ancestor.

In the hope that these pages will help to immortalize the names of those who fought and bled and suffered in the cause of liberty and equal rights these brief sketches are dedicated.

F. S.

Dedham, February 1st, 1909.

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## OF DOVER, MASSACHUSETTS, SOLDIERS

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### KING PHILIP'S WAR.

King Philip's War was the first great test to which the New England Commonwealths were subjected, and it enforced upon them in blood and fire the necessity of a mutual policy and active co-operation. The lesson that union is strength was learned at that time and was never forgotten. New England after the war, free from fear of any Indian attacks was able to turn her attention to her own peaceful industrial and political development undisturbed.

George W. Ellis and John E. Morris.

JOHN BACON,<sup>1</sup> (1) son of John and Rebecca Bacon, was born in Dedham July 17, 1655, and was descended in the third generation from Michael Bacon, who settled in Dedham in 1640. John Bacon was an early settler in the Springfield Parish. His farm was located in the extreme northwest part of the parish, and embraced many acres. The homestead was the farm known for many years as the Jonathan Perry place on the Clay Brook road, which joins the town of Natick. In King Philip's War he served in the Garrison at Wrentham, in July, 1676. He probably settled here in 1683. He married Jan. 15, 1683, Lydia, daughter of Andrew and Ann (Donstall) Dewing. Children, Lydia, Rebecca, Rachel, John, Michael. He died Oct. 27, 1732.

(1) The corresponding number on the accompanying map shows where the subject of the sketch lived.



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JOHN BATTELLE, (2) son of Thomas and Mary (Fisher) Battelle, was born July 1, 1652. His father was an early settler on the Clay Brook road, having acquired the farm of Andrew Dewing, where he was living soon after, or perhaps before King Philip's War. John Battelle had land from his father's estate on which he probably settled in 1678. His farm was known for many years as the Farrington place on Main Street. Mr. Battelle was in Capt. John Jacob's Company of Hingham in March, 1675-6, thus serving in King Philip's War. He married Nov. 18, 1678, Hannah Holbrook. Children: Hannah, Mary, John, Ebenezer. He died Sept. 30, 1713, and is buried in the Dedham First Parish Cemetery.

ANDREW DEWING, (3) first appeared in Dedham in 1646, in which year he was received into the church and also made a freeman. He is believed to have come to America from Lincolnshire, England. He first settled in what is now Dover. He sold his farm to Thomas Battelle in 1669 and moved to that part of Needham which is now Wellesley. He joined the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company in 1644, being credited to Natick. The site of his first house can still be seen on the Clay Brook Road near the picnic grounds of the late Benjamin N. Sawin. This house was located within a mile of the village of South Natick. This is the explanation of the fact that his residence was given as Natick. He took part in King Philip's War, and was paid fifteen shillings by the town of Dedham, Nov. 24, 1676, for military services. Living near the Garrison House at South Natick, he was made, with his sons, an inspector of the Christian Indians in Company No. 2, which embraced fifty members at the time of King Philip's War. Mr. Dewing married first, Lydia,—secondly Ann Donstall. Children: John, John, Andrew, Rachel, Lydia, Jonathan, Ann, Deborah. He died Sept. 16, 1677.

EPHRAIM WILSON, (5) son of Henry and Mary (Metcalf) Wilson, was born June 2, 1656. His father came from





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Kent, England, in 1639, and the next year settled the Wilson farm on Strawberry Hill, being the first settler in what is now Dover. This farm has been in the family for more than two hundred and fifty years. He served in King Philip's War, being paid twelve shillings by the town of Dedham for his services. Ephraim Wilson married May 10, 1681, Rebecca Sumner. Children: Samuel, Rebecca, Nathaniel, John, Ephraim. He lived on the homestead where he died Dec. 20, 1732-3.



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If the student of American nationality would know the facts of its history, he must not begin with the feeble skirmish at Lexington, or the fierce disorderly fight on Bunker Hill, but come to Lake Champlain, for on it and its shores he will easily discover that Bunker Hill would never have been fought by the men whose fierce courage and knowledge of arms made it historic, had they not learned the deadly use of weapons, the value of discipline, and been nurtured in martial spirit by the warlike culture they received under the most skillful and bravest generals of fighting England, in their campaigns, battles, and forays against the French and Indians here in the valley of Champlain.

Whence came the cannon that manned the works of Washington on Dorchester heights and enabled him to drive the British out of Boston? Fighting against whom and where did New England and New York men learn the use of arms, the habits of obedience, the coolness of veterans under fire, and that indifference to numbers which more than once held the Revolutionary army together and made it formidable to its foe? Here it was, here on Lake Champlain and its connecting waters, that the men who fought so bravely under Prescott, Putnam, Stark, Gates and Washington learned the lesson of war and from it, as a martial school, graduated as veterans for the Revolutionary struggle.

W. H. H. Murray.

DAVID CLEVELAND, (6) son of George and Sarah (Cobb) Cleveland, was born in Walpole, May 1st, 1744. He was descended in the fourth generation from Moses Cleveland who came to America in 1635 and settled in Woburn. David Cleveland bought the Richard Bacon farm on Main Street, which now constitutes the estates of James McGill, and J. Grant Forbes. Here he reared his family. Mr. Cleveland



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took part in the last French and Indian War, in Capt. Timothy Hamant's Company of Medfield. He enlisted May 4, 1761, and served until Jan. 7, 1762—(35 weeks and 4 days). His father died in the service at Fort William Henry, Oct. 2, 1756. David Cleveland married May 12, 1773, Rachel, daughter of Hezekiah and Jemima (Kingsbury) Allen, married secondly, Mrs. Kezia (Mason) Allen. Children: Ira, David, Ira, Cyrus, George, Gad, Rachel, Patty, Polly, Hittie. He died Apr. 4, 1820, and is buried in Dover.

RALPH DAY, (7) son of Ralph and Elizabeth (Ellis) Day, was born on the Day homestead at the foot of Strawberry Hill Street, June 19, 1717, and was descended in the fourth generation from Ralph Day, who was admitted a freeman in Dedham, January 1, 1645. Ralph Day served in the last French and Indian War, in Capt. Ephraim Jackson's Company from Mar. 6, 1760, to Nov. 15, 1760, being in the New York campaign. March 16, 1762, he entered Capt. Moses Hart's Company and served until Nov. 20, 1762. He married Apr. 26, 1739, Mary, daughter of Eleazer and Mary (Crosby) Ellis; married second in 1762 Mrs. Mary (Leland) Winship. Children: Martha, Ralph, Mary, John, Mercy. Mr. Day was a carpenter as well as farmer. He was several times elected a member of the Dedham Board of Selectmen. When the Dover First Parish Church was organized in 1762 he was chosen a deacon. He lived on the Day homestead on Dedham Street. He is buried in Dover.

JONATHAN DAY, (8) son of Jonathan and Hannah (Battelle) Day was born on his father's farm (George D. Burrage place on Dedham Street) May 4, 1744. He was descended in the fifth generation from the emigrant Ralph Day of Dedham. Jonathan Day entered Capt. Moses Hart's Company March 22, 1762, and served until Nov. 20, 1762. He left Dover and settled in Dudley, Mass.



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ELEAZER ELLIS, (9) son of Eleazer, Jr., and Mary (Crosby) Ellis, was born on the Rev. Benjamin Caryl farm on Dedham Street Aug. 31, 1735. He was descended in the fourth generation from Richard Ellis, one of the prominent early settlers in Dedham. Eleazer Ellis marched in 1755 in the second expedition against Crown Point, in Capt. Richard Godfrey's Company in Col. Ruggles' Regt. Mr. Ellis seems to have been at the time a resident of Taunton. From a journal kept at the time we learn that when on Long Island June 23, 1755, his gun "was shot off and blown all to pieces but not a man was hurt." On July 15, Eleazer Ellis found and fetched up the gun of Asa Grant which had been lost in the river;—having lost his own he thus supplied himself with another gun. He met his death in an engagement near Fort Lyman, Sept. 8, 1755. The soldiers were here attacked by two or three thousand French and Indians. Mr. Ellis was killed on the spot where the battle began.

TIMOTHY ELLIS, (9) son of Eleazer, Jr., and Mary (Crosby) Ellis, was born on his father's farm, the Rev. Benjamin Caryl place, Sept. 14, 1724. He was descended in the fourth generation from Richard Ellis, who was a settler in Dedham in 1642. Timothy Ellis gave an extended service in the last French and Indian War. He was a sergeant in Capt. Eliphalet Fales' Company in the Crown Point Expedition. He enlisted May 7, 1755, and served to Nov. 18, 1755. He was a lieutenant in Capt. Simon Slocum's Company from Mar. 31, 1759, to April 2, 1760, and served at Fort Cumberland. He also served in Capt. Slocum's Company from June 1, 1760, to Sept. 26, 1760. His Revolutionary service is found in New Hampshire, where he was a Major in the Sixth Regiment of the Militia in 1777. He marched with the volunteers to Ticonderoga in May, 1777 and was appointed Major of Nichols' Regiment under Stark, and commanded his battalion at Bennington. Was muster master of the Continental troops from Cheshire County. He was made a colonel of the Sixth Regi-





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ment, February 24, 1783, Selectman of Keene, 1770-4, Delegate from Keene to the Provincial Congress at Exeter in April, 1775, Representative to the Legislature 1776-7-8. Was one of the Committee appointed in 1778 to take possession of the confiscated estates of tories in Cheshire County. He lived on "The Hills", four miles from the village of Keene, on what was the Westmoreland road. His name, together with those of three of his sons, Caleb, Joshua and Timothy, Jr., all of whom were born in Dover, appears on the bronze tablet erected to the memory of Revolutionary soldiers in the Thayer Memorial Library in Keene. He had a wife Elizabeth, whose maiden name is unknown. Children: Timothy, Caleb, Benjamin, Joshua, Elizabeth, Juliitta. Eleazer, Millett. He moved from Dedham with his family about 1763 and settled in Keene, New Hampshire. He died July 13, 1817, and is buried in Hurricane Cemetery, Keene.

TIMOTHY GUY (10) is belived to have come to this country from Bristol, England. He served in the last French and Indian War, in Capt. William Bacon's Company in the Crown Point Expedition. He entered the service Apr. 22, 1755, and served until Oct. 15, 1755. He lived on the Smith farm on Smith Street, where he settled in 1754. He married in 1740, Martha, daughter of Jonathan and Bethia (Fisk) Plimpton. Children: Benjamin, Jonathan, Bethshua, Nathan. He is buried in Dover.

JOSIAH RICHARDS. (11) whose identity is not clear, was a Captain in Col. Joseph Williams' Regt. which went to Lake George in 1755. This may have been Josiah of Dedham or Josiah of Bridgewater. If the former, his pedigree is as follows: Josiah Richards, son of Edward and Sarah (Wheeler) Richards was born in Dedham, Sept. 22, 1713, and was descended in the fourth generation from Edward Richards who came to America in 1635. Josiah Richards settled on Strawberry Hill



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(J. Earl farm) in 1737. He married Sept. 22, 1737, Hannah, daughter of Nathaniel and Joanna Whiting. His eight sons all took part in the Revolution, a most remarkable instance. Children: Lemuel, Moses, Hannah, Asa, Sarah, Thaddeus, Josiah, Solomon, Mary, Lucy, Abijah, Lydia, Jesse, Betsey. He died Oct. 24, 1771, and is buried in Dover.

LEMUEL RICHARDS, (12) son of Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, was born on the Richards homestead on Strawberry Hill—(James Earl place), Jan. 22, 1737-8, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards, who arrived in America from London in 1632. Lemuel Richards served in the last French and Indian War for the reduction of Canada. He entered May 2, 1758, Capt. Eliphalet Fales' Company and served until November 12, 1750. He settled in 1764 on a farm on Dedham Street. His house stood on the R. J. Gilman place. He later divided his farm and built on the site of the house of the late Charles C. J. Spear. He married June 14, 1764, Rebecca, daughter of Joseph and Rebecca Chickering. Children: Joseph, Rebecca, Lydia, Edward, Abigail, Abigail, Jabez, Lemuel, Deborah, Abigail, Sarah. He is buried in Dover.

MOSES RICHARDS, (13) son of Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, was born on the Strawberry Hill farm, Dec. 11, 1739, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards who came to America in 1632. Moses Richards served in the last French and Indian War. March 6, 1760, he entered Capt. Ephraim Jackson's Company and served until Dec. 3, 1760. March 31, 1762 he entered Capt. Ebenezer Cox's Company and served until Nov. 15, 1762. He lived on the Ebenezer Battelle farm on Strawberry Hill which was long since abandoned. He married Dec. 8, 1762, Mehitable, daughter of John and Mehitable Battelle. Child: Mehitable. He moved to Warwick, Mass., in 1802.



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DANIEL WHITING, (14) son of Jonathan and Anna (Bullard) Whiting was born on the Whiting homestead on Springdale Avenue (McNamara farm), Feb. 5, 1732-3, and was descended in the fourth generation from Nathaniel Whiting, who came to America from Lincolnshire, England, in 1638, and later settled in Dedham. Daniel Whiting took part in the last French and Indian War in the Crown Point Expedition. He served in Capt. William Bacon's Company from Sept. 15, 1755, to Dec. 16, 1755. He was an ensign in Capt. Nathaniel Bailey's Company from Feb. 26, 1760, to Dec. 6, 1760, and in this service he went into the New York campaign. The Hon. William Ellis gives Daniel Whiting the rank of a Lieutenant in his list of Dedham men who served in the last French and Indian War, but the fact is not established in the State Archives. He lived in the Tavern on Dedham Street which he built in 1761. He married in 1761 Mehitable Haven. Children: Mehitable, Paul, Fanny, Roger, Nancy. He died Oct. 17, 1807, and is buried in Dover.

NATHAN WHITING, (15) son of Jonathan and Anna (Bullard) Whiting, was born on the Whiting homestead on May 10, 1739, and was descended in the fourth generation from Nathaniel Whiting, who came to America in 1638. He served in the last French and Indian War, and was a corporal in Capt. Ephraim Jackson's Company. He entered the service Mar. 6, 1760, and served to Aug. 31, 1760; he was a sergeant from Sept. 1, 1760, to Dec. 3, 1760, and drew pay for 120 miles of travel. He was commissioned a lieutenant in Capt. Job Plimpton's Company Sept. 19, 1771. He married Nancy Newell of Needham and settled in that town. Children: Nathan, Sarah, Abigail, Mary. He died in 1799 and is buried in Needham.

**NOTE:** The men of the Parish served in the Militia of his Majesty King George, in the First Suffolk Regiment of which the following were officers: John Jones and Hezekiah Allen captains; Ralph Day Lieut.; Ebenezer Battelle 2nd Lieut.; and John Battelle ensign.



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"See the poor soldier when in health. With what cheerfulness he meets his foes and encounters every hardship. If barefoot, he labors through the mud and cold with a song in his mouth, extolling war and Washington. If his food be bad he eats it notwithstanding with seeming content, blesses God for a good stomach, and whistles it into digestion. But harkee! Patience a moment! There comes a soldier and cries with an air of wretchedness and despair, 'I'm sick; my feet lame; my legs are sore; my body covered with this tormenting itch; my clothes are worn out; my constitution is broken; my former activity is exhausted by fatigue, hunger, and cold; I fail fast; I shall soon be no more! And all the reward I shall get will be, "Poor Will is dead!"' And in the midst of this they persevered! Freezing, starving, dying, rather than desert their flag: they saw their loved ones suffer, but kept the faith. And the American yeoman of the Revolution remaining faithful is as splendid an example of devotion to duty as that which the pitying ashes of Vesuvius have preserved through eighteen centuries in the figure of the Roman soldier standing at his post, unmoved amid all the horrors of Pompeii."

— Oration by Henry Armitt Brown.

ELEAZER ALLEN,<sup>1</sup> (16) son of Eleazer and Mary (Battelle) Allen, was born on the homestead on Centre Street, adjoining the Medfield line, May 27, 1713, and was descended in the fourth generation from James Allen who first appeared in Dedham in 1638. James Allen was a nephew of the Rev. John Allin, the first minister of Dedham, and probably came to America with him. In 1649 he became one of the proprietors of Medfield. Eleazer Allen marched at the Lexington Alarm

1. There is no way of determining whether this service was rendered by the father or son; both lived on the same farm in the Parish. In the absence of "Jr." the credit is given to the father.





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(2), and was absent six days, also served in fortifying Dorchester Heights in 1776. Mr. Allen inherited the homestead and was a farmer. He married May 17, 1740, Phebe, daughter of Jonathan and Margaret (Fairbanks) Wight of Medfield. Children: Eleazer, Phebe, Amy, Sybil. He died November 29, 1796, and is buried in Dover.

ELEAZER ALLEN, JR. (17), son of Eleazer and Phebe (Wight) Allen, was born on the homestead on Centre Street, August 21, 1740, and was descended in the fifth generation from James Allen. He did guard<sup>‡</sup> duty in Boston for seventy-five days in 1778. He was a farmer and carried on the homestead. He married in 1768 Rebecca, daughter of Seth and Rebecca (Andrew's) Mason. Children: Rebecca, Hitty, John. He died Feb. 18, 1825, and is buried in Dover.

HEZEKIAH PETERS ALLEN (18), son of Hezekiah and Mary (Peters) Allen, was born May 3, 1762, on his father's farm on Farm Street. He was descended in the fifth generation from James Allen. He did guard duty at Boston in 1779; also at Castle Island the same year. He enlisted in the Continental Army for six months in 1780; and re-enlisted for three years March 24, 1781. Soon after the close of the Revolution he settled at Bowdoinham, Maine. He married Susannah Thomas and had nine children. He died Feb. 5, 1826, and is buried in Bowdoinham.

HEZEKIAH ALLEN<sup>†</sup> (19), son of Hezekiah and Mary (Draper) Allen, was born on the Pegan Hill farm April 15,

2. Unless otherwise stated, all who served at the Lexington Alarm were in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company of the Springfield Parish.

‡ The double dagger indicates, wherever used, that the service is found in the Springfield Parish Records.

† His grave has been designated by a marker of the Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and wherever in these sketches the dagger is used this fact is indicated.



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1724. He had land from his father's estate on Farm Street, on which he built a house in 1749. This farm was owned by the late Mrs. Joseph Proctor, but has been absorbed by the Benjamin C. Dorr farm. The remains of the cellar of Mr. Allen's house can still be seen on what was the Proctor estate. He was descended in the fourth generation from James Allen. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent one day. He was Captain of the 4th Precinct Suffolk Regiment in 1771. He inherited the Allen homestead, and for many years was a prominent citizen of the Parish. He married 1st, Nov. 25, 1745, Jemima, daughter of Timothy and Jemima (Ware) Kingsbury of Needham; married 2nd, April 7, 1757, Mary, daughter of William and Hannah (Chenery) Peters of Medfield. Children: Timothy, Jemima, Rachel, Susa, Hezekiah, Calla, Zella, Hezekiah Peters, Perez, William Pitt, Hitta, Calvin, Patty, Mary, Morrill. He died July 12, 1798, and is buried in Dover.

TIMOTHY ALLEN (20), son of Hezekiah and Jemima (Kingsbury) Allen, was born on the Pegan Hill farm April 20, 1746, and was descended in the fifth generation from James Allen. He served at the Lexington Alarm on Wednesday, April 19, 1775, and was absent three days, also at Dorchester Heights for six days in 1776, and at Rhode Island for seventeen days in December, 1776. In 1780 he took part in an expedition to Tiverton, R. I., and was absent for twelve days. Mr. Allen was a farmer and lived on the Pegan Hill farm. He was a member of the Board of Selectmen, and served the town on many important committees. He was married December 3, 1772, to Rebecca, daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Graves) Eames. Children: Timothy, Hezekiah, Mary, Timothy, Rebecca, Thaddeus, Jared. He died July 10, 1823, and is buried in Dover.

EPHRAIM BACON, Jr. (21), son of Ephraim and Rebecca Bacon, was born May 26, 1756, on the John Bacon



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homestead on the Clay Brook road, known for many years as the Jonathan Perry estate. This farm is believed to have been settled by John Bacon previous to the year 1700 as indicated by Dedham records and grants of land. Mr. Bacon was descended in the fifth generation from Michael Bacon, an English Puritan, who settled in Dedham in 1640. He marched at the Lexington Alarm, and was absent four days. He married March 1, 1792, Anna Bacon, and settled in Needham.

JEREMIAH BACON (22), son of John and Elizabeth Bacon, was born Aug. 24, 1729, on the John Bacon, Jr., homestead, now known as the Edwin F. Phelps farm, on the Clay Brook road. He was descended in the fifth generation from Michael Bacon. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent six days, also marched on Saturday, June 17, 1775, at the Bunker Hill Alarm.<sup>II</sup> He was a sergeant in Capt. Aaron Guild's Company at Dorchester Heights in March, 1776; marched at an alarm at Rhode Island, Sept. 27, 1776, and was stationed at Newport, where he served one month and twenty-six days; also marched to Roxbury in 1778 and served eighteen days. He was a cordwainer by trade. He married Aug. 15, 1752, Anna, daughter of Jonathan and Anna (Bullard) Whiting. Children: Silas, Anna, Jesse, Betty, Jeremiah, Moses. He died Sept. 5, 1795, and is buried in Dover.

JEREMIAH BACON, JR. (23), son of Jeremiah and Anna (Bullard) Bacon, was born on the Clay Brook homestead (Phelps farm), and was descended in the sixth generation from Michael Bacon. He was paid by the Parish for doing guard duty<sup>‡</sup> at Roxbury in 1778. He settled in Washington, New Hampshire.

The II, wherever used, shows that the service is borne on the muster roll of Capt. Joseph Guild now in the possession of the Dedham Historical Society.



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JOHN BACON (24), son of John and Elizabeth Bacon, was born on the John Bacon, Jr., homestead on the Clay Brook road (Pheips farm), April 17, 1722, and was descended in the sixth generation from Michael Bacon.

\*He took part in Capt. Timothy Stowe's Company at Ticonderoga in 1776; also guarded at Providence in 1778. He was a housewright, and settled in Natick. He died in Boston July 8, 1797.

JOSIAH BACON (26), son of Michael and Abigail Bacon, was born on the John Bacon homestead (Perry farm) on the Clay Brook road, Jan. 6, 1730, and was descended in the fifth generation from Michael Bacon. He did guard duty at Roxbury in 1776, also at Rhode Island<sup>‡</sup> in 1778. He was a farmer and lived on the homestead which he sold to his son Josiah. He married Nov. 27, 1755, Abigail Smith of Needham. Children: Josiah, Michael, Abigail, Timothy, James.

JOSIAH BACON, JR. (27), son of Josiah and Abigail (Smith) Bacon, was born on the John Bacon homestead, (Perry farm), May 26, 1757, and was descended in the fifth generation from Michael Bacon. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent 12 days, also served in fortifying Dorchester Heights in 1776; also took part in Rhode Island in 1778 and did guard duty at Roxbury<sup>‡</sup> the same year. He was a farmer and owned the John Bacon homestead, where he died Jan. 20, 1800. He had a wife Olive. Children: Ralph, Patty, Ralph, Michael, Michael, Josiah, Timothy, Sherman, Josiah, Loring. He is buried in Dover.

MICHAEL BACON. (28), son of Josiah and Abigail (Smith) Bacon, was born on the John Bacon homestead, (Perry farm), Feb. 14, 1759, and was descended in the fifth

\* This service cannot be absolutely assured, as the residence of John Bacon is not given in the State Archives.





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generation from Michael Bacon. He was a drummer at Castle Island for nineteen days in 1776; also served for thirty-three days in 1778. He did not make his residence in Dover and has not been farther traced. He died Jan. 1, 1794.

MOSES BACON, (29), son of Jeremiah and Anna (Whiting) Bacon, was born on the John Bacon, Jr., homestead (of which the farm of Benjamin N. Sawin was a part), and was descended in the sixth generation from Michael Bacon. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent seven days; also marched at the Bunker Hill Alarm<sup>U</sup>, June 17, 1775; also engaged in fortifying Dorchester Heights, and served at Castle Island in 1776; also did guard duty at Roxbury<sup>‡</sup> in 1778. He settled in Needham.

SILAS BACON<sup>†</sup> (30), son of Jeremiah and Anna (Whiting) Bacon, was born on the John Bacon, Jr., homestead (Phelps farm) Sept. 11, 1758, and was descended in the fifth generation from Michael Bacon. He served as a private for three months and 25 days in 1777 in the northern department of the Continental Army, also for 1 month and 15 days in Rhode Island<sup>‡</sup> in 1778, also for 3 months and 8 days at an alarm in Rhode Island in 1780. He was a farmer and settled on Main street. His house, probably built in 1787, is still standing on the farm of the late Henry R. Stevens. He was a blacksmith and had a shop in connection with his farm. He married June 28, 1787, Molly, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Chenery) Draper. Children: Fanny, Silas, Horace, Martin, Abigail, Alfred, Mary, Calvin W. His death is unrecorded but he is buried in Dover.

EBENEZER BATTELLE<sup>\*†</sup> (31), son of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Barber) Battelle, was born Jan. 7, 1727-8 on the

\* Spelled both Battle and Battelle in the earliest Dedham records; the latter spelling has been adopted as it is now universally used by the family.



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Jonathan Battelle homestead on Main street, corner of Haven street, and was descended in the fourth generation from Thomas Battelle, who settled in Dedham about 1648 and was a Town Clerk, Selectman and Schoolmaster. He first lived on Lowder street, Dedham, and later took up his residence for a time on the Clay Brook road. Ebenezer Battelle is believed to have built the house and settled the farm now owned by Elbridge L. Mann in 1752. After the death of his brother Jonathan he returned to the homestead on Main street. He was one of three persons selected by the town of Dedham in 1773 to see that none of the inhabitants of the Springfield Parish drank India tea, the town having previously voted that none should be drunk in the township. He was the captain of the Springfield Parish Company of Minute Men, who served at the Lexington Alarm; also marched at the Bunker Hill Alarm <sup>II</sup>, June 17, 1775, as returned by Capt. Joseph Guild. He was commissioned a captain May 10, 1776, and served in Col. McIntosh's regiment, also in Col. Jonathan Titcomb's regiment; he took part in taking Dorchester Heights, and was at Castle Island in 1776; at Providence in 1777 and at Roxbury<sup>‡</sup> in 1778. He was made a second major in 1780. He married in 1752, Hannah, daughter of Hezekiah and Elizabeth (Draper) Allen, who died July 2, 1785; m. 2ndly, Mrs. Lois Draper. Children: Hannah, Ebenezer, Hezekiah, Jonathan, Abigail, Polly, Hetty. He died Feb. 18, 1806, and is buried in Dover.

EBENEZER BATTELLE, Jr., (32), son of Ebenezer and Hannah (Allen) Battelle, was born on the farm now owned by Elbridge L. Mann on Main street, Dec. 2, 1755, and was descended in the fifth generation from Thomas Battelle. He was a farmer and inherited the Jonathan Battelle homestead on Main street. Mr. Battelle served in his father's company at the Lexington Alarm, giving eight days' service; also at the Alarm at Bunker Hill <sup>II</sup>, June 17, 1775; also served



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at Providence in 1776, and at Roxbury<sup>‡</sup> in 1778. He had a wife Hannah. Children. Julia, Hannah, Ebenezer, Luther, Zippa, Lucy, Emmory, Cyrus, Timothy, Eliphalet. He died Jan. 7, 1810, and is buried in Dover.

HEZEKIAH BATTELLE, (33), son of Ebenezer and Hannah (Allen) Battelle, was born on the Jonathan Battelle homestead on Main street corner of Haven street, Jan. 12, 1758, and was descended in the fifth generation from Thomas Battelle. He was a fifer in his father's Company (Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's) at the Lexington Alarm; also a drummer in his father's Company which took part in fortifying Dorchester Heights. He was in the Battle of Bunker Hill, serving in Brewer's Regiment, also at the siege of Boston; at Castle Island in 1776, at Roxbury<sup>‡</sup> in 1778, and enlisted into the Continental Army for nine months in 1778. He was a farmer and cordwainer and settled a farm on Center street which was long since abandoned, but was once one of the best farms in Dover. He married Oct. 12, 1782, Mary Mansell of Scituate, Mass. Children: Polly, Hezekiah, Rebecca, William. Mr. Battelle died Mar. 22, 1819, and is buried in Dover.

JOHN BATTELLE, Jr.,\* (34), son of John and Mehitabel (Sherman) Battelle, was born on the John Battelle homestead on Main street best known as the Farrington farm, Oct. 11, 1741, in the old house which was burned only a few years since, and was descended in the fifth generation from Thomas Battelle. He was the second lieutenant in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company at the Lexington Alarm and was absent six days; also served at the Alarm at Bunker Hill

\* In the absence of positive knowledge, the credit for revolutionary service has previously been given to John Battelle senior, because there is no way of distinguishing between the two. Age, however, favors the theory that the service was rendered by the son. If so, his grave is not in Dover.



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<sup>11</sup> June 17, 1775. He married Nov. 10, 1762, Hannah, daughter of Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards. Children: Rufus, Phineas, Moses, Hannah. He moved from the town to some place unknown previous to 1790.

JONATHAN BATTELLE, (35) son of Ebenezer and Hannah (Allen) Battelle, was born on the Jonathan Battelle homestead on Main Street Nov. 17, 1761, and was descended in the fifth generation from Thomas Battelle. He did guard duty at Governor's Island<sup>‡</sup> for thirty-two days in 1778. He owned a farm on Centre Street near Fisher's Bridge. He married Mercy, daughter of Ralph and Mary (Leland) Day. Children: Hannah, Jonathan, Ralph, Clarissa, Leonard, Mercy, Adaline, Isaac, Mehitable. Mr. Battelle died Jan. 8, 1840 and is buried in Dover.

JOSIAH BATTELLE, \*(36) son of John and Mehitable (Sherman) Battelle, was born on the John Battelle homestead on Main Street, July 15, 1756, and was descended in the fifth generation from Thomas Battelle. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent seven days; also served at the Alarm at Bunker Hill<sup>II</sup>, June 17, 1775. He engaged in fortifying Dorchester Heights, and did guard duty at Roxbury<sup>‡</sup> in 1778. He was also at Providence the same year and enlisted for nine months' service in the Continental Army in 1778. He was a farmer and lived on the homestead. He married Lucy Richards. Children: Betsey, Lucy, Josiah, Sherman, Rufus, Roger Sherman, Elbridge. He died Oct. 5, 1834, and is buried in Dover.

JABEZ BAKER, †(37) son of Timothy and Abigail (Pond) Baker, was born in that part of Dedham which is now West-

\*Joseph Battelle who did guard duty in Rhode Island in 1778 was the son of Ebenezer and Prudence (Draper) Battelle. While he was probably born on Strawberry Hill, his father sold the farm there in 1772 and moved to Dedham Centre. His service therefore, properly belongs to the First Parish of Dedham.





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wood, Dec. 9, 1737, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Baker, who settled in 1630 in Lynn, and is believed to have belonged to Gov. Winthrop's Company. Jabez Baker marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent twelve days; also served at the Bunker Hill Alarm<sup>II</sup> June 17, 1775. He was a farmer and purchased the Ebenezer Newell farm on Strawberry Hill in 1769. He married June 11, 1767, Hannah, daughter Joshua and Mary (Partridge) Morse of Medfield. Children: Jabez, Hannah. He died Jan. 6, 1823, and is buried in Dover.

JOHN BROWN<sup>†</sup> (38), born Dec. 15, 1758. He is believed to have been of French descent. His father and mother died on the passage to Boston, and he was put under the care of Mrs. Seth Mason of Dover by the Captain of the ship who gave him his own name. He settled on the Benjamin E. Dorr estate on Farm street in 1792. He served at Castle Island in 1776, at Roxbury<sup>‡</sup> in 1778, and at Rhode Island the same year. He married first Maria Turner of Dedham in 1783, and second Apr. 20, 1817, Betsey, daughter of Josiah and Lucy (Richards) Battelle. Children: John, Sarah, Michael, Mason, Betsey, Rebecca, Lucy Richards. He died October 16, 1839, and is buried in Dover.

THOMAS BURRAGE<sup>†</sup> (39), son of John and Sarah (Smith) Burrage, was born in Newton in 1731, and was descended in the fourth generation from John Burrage, who first appeared in Charlestown in 1637. He was a weaver by trade. He purchased land and settled the farm known as the Bartlett place on Farm street—(Robert S. Mmot's place)—in 1765. He was a private at the Lexington Alarm and was absent five days. Mr. Burrage dropped dead while working on the highway in 1799. The spot is marked by a stone slab on the top of the hill west of Fisher's Brook on Farm street. He married Jan. 6, 1768, Abigail, daughter of John and Dorcas (Adams)



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Fisher. Children: John, Obed, Abigail, Kezia, Anna. He is buried in Dover.

JAMES CHENEY\* (40), son of James and Sybil (Littlefield) Cheney, was born in Newton, June 28, 1749, and was descended in the sixth generation from John Cheney who was of Roxbury in 1635, and the next year settled in Newbury. Mr. Cheney came to Dover with his father, Dea. James Cheney who purchased the Thomas Coughlan farm in 1757. James Cheney was a sergeant in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company at the Lexington Alarm and was absent three days. He guarded Burgoyne's‡ troops near Boston in 1777-8. He died in 1793 but the place of his burial is unknown.

JOSEPH CHENEY (41), son of James and Sybil (Littlefield) Cheney, was born in Newton in 1761, and was descended in the fifth generation from John Cheney. He served in 1777-8 in guarding Burgoyne's‡ troops near Boston, as shown by the Parish Records. He owned the farm on Pine street now occupied by George McKenzie. He married in 1782 Susannah Wadsworth. Children: Joseph, Martin, Polly, Lucy. He moved from Dover and died at the house of his son, the Rev. Martin Cheney, in Johnson, R. I., May 7, 1834. He is buried in Pocasset cemetery, Cranston, R. I.

JOHN CHENEY (42), son of James and Sybil (Littlefield) Cheney, was born in Newton, April 6, 1755, and was descended in the fifth generation from John Cheney. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent three days. He was at Castle Island in 1776, and in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company for 15 days in 1778-9, also did guard duty at Roxbury‡ in 1778. He lived on his father's farm on Walpole

\* Although a Samuel Cheney is included in the list of soldiers buried in Dover, as published by the Sons of the American Revolution, yet we do not find his name in the State Archives among the soldiers of the Revolution.



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street until 1800 when he moved to New Salem, Mass. He married Nov. 26, 1789, Hannah Adams. Children: John, Olivia, Hannah, Fanny, Junia, Artemus.

DANIEL CHICKERING (43), son of Nathaniel and Mary (Thorpe) Chickering, was born on the homestead on Haven street, Dec. 30, 1718, and was descended in the fourth generation from Nathaniel Chickering, the emigrant who settled in Dedham about 1668. He was a private at the Lexington Alarm and served four days; served at Dorchester Heights in 1776, also at Castle Island. He did guard duty at Roxbury and Cambridge in 1778. Mr. Chickering was a farmer and lived on the homestead. He married in 1745 Kezia, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Morse) Ellis of Medfield. Children: Elizabeth, Kezia, Nathaniel, Lydia, Joseph, Daniel, Simeon, Jesse. He died April 11, 1790 and is buried in Dover.

DANIEL CHICKERING, Jr. (44), was the son of Daniel and Kezia (Ellis) Chickering; he was born on the homestead on Haven street Aug. 20, 1758, and was descended in the fifth generation from Nathaniel Chickering. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent six days; also at the Bunker Hill Alarm II, June 17, 1775. He was a corporal in Capt Jacob Haskins' Company at Rhode Island in 1778, also did guard duty at Boston<sup>‡</sup> in 1778. He studied medicine and was a resident of Wilmington, Mass., in 1784.

JOHN CHICKERING (45), son of John and Mary Chickering, was born on his father's farm on Farm street (Aaron Bacon place) Aug. 21, 1744, and was descended in the fifth generation from Nathaniel Chickering. He was a corporal in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company at the Lexington Alarm and was absent six days; also served at the Bunker Hill Alarm II, June 17, 1775. He was a sergeant in Capt. Battelle's Company in 1778; guarded at Roxbury<sup>‡</sup> in 1778. He lived on the Farm street homestead. He married July 2, 1767, Lois



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Marsh. Children: Thaddeus, David, John, Louisa, James, Rebecca, Bettie, Hartshorn, Shubal, Alpheus, Shimia. He died in 1802 and is buried in Dover.

JOSEPH CHICKERING (46), son of Daniel and Kezia (Ellis) Chickering, was born on the homestead on Haven street, Feb. 4, 1755, and was descended in the fifth generation from Nathaniel Chickering, the emigrant. He served at the Lexington Alarm for four days. He died unmarried Jan. 3, 1812, and is buried in Dover.

NATHANIEL CHICKERING† (47) son of Daniel and Kezia (Ellis) Chickering, was born on the Chickering homestead on Haven street, Mar. 29, 1750, and was descended in the fifth generation from Nathaniel Chickering. He took part at the Lexington Alarm and was absent two days. He served thirteen days at Dorchester Heights in February, 1776; also at Ticonderoga‡ in 1776. Mr. Chickering settled the farm on Walpole street owned by the late Mrs. Zilokowski. He was a civil engineer and practiced his profession in connection with his farm. He married in 1781 Esther Dewing. Children: Simeon, Nathaniel, Daniel, Polly, Leonard, Simeon, Joseph, Otis, Lucy, Esther, Almira. Mr. Chickering died February 5, 1837, and is buried in Dover.

SAMUEL CHICKERING (48), son of John and Mary Chickering, was born on the Farm street homestead May 24, 1755, and was descended in the fourth generation from Nathaniel Chickering. He served in Capt. Joseph Guild's Company at the Lexington Alarm for thirteen days; was in the battle of Bunker Hill, in Capt. Daniel Whiting's Company; at Ticonderoga in 1776, and at Boston‡ in 1778. He entered the Continental Army. Mr. Chickering has not been traced since the Revolution.

DAVID CLEVELAND† (6), was the son of George and Sarah (Cobb) Cleveland and was born in Walpole, May 1,





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1744. He was descended in the fourth generation from Moses Cleveland who came to America in 1635 and settled in Woburn. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent four days, also marched to Boston on the occasion of the Battle of Bunker Hill II, and was at Dorchester Heights thirteen days in February; 1776. He served in the last French and Indian war where his father died in the service at Fort William Henry Oct. 2, 1756. Mr. Cleveland came here from Natick and bought in 1773 the farm on Main street, now owned by James McGill. He married first, May 12, 1773, Rachel Allen, who died Mar. 12, 1799, and married second, Kazia (Mason) Allen. Children: Ira, David, Ira, Cyrus, George, Gad, Rachel, Patty, Polly, Hettie. Mr. Cleveland died April 14, 1820, and is buried in Dover.

NATHAN COOK rendered an efficient service representing both Needham and Dedham in the Revolutionary War. He was at the Lexington Alarm, Battle of Bunker Hill, Dorchester Heights and at Ticonderoga. He was paid by the Springfield Parish for 9 mo. 20 days service in the Continental Army.† He married Bulah, daughter of Samuel and Sybil Metcalf, and settled in Warwick. His ancestry has not been traced.

RALPH DAY (49), was the son of Ralph and Elizabeth (Ellis) Day and was born on the homestead on Dedham street, foot of Strawberry Hill street, June 19, 1717. He was descended in the fourth generation from Ralph Day who was admitted a freeman in Dedham Jan. 1. 1645. Mr. Day was a prominent citizen of Dedham during the entire period of the Revolutionary War. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent two days. He was a farmer and inherited the homestead. He married first, April 26, 1739, Mary, daughter of Eleazer and Mary (Crosby) Ellis, married second, Mrs. Mary (Leland) Winship. Children: Martha, Ralph, Mary, John, Mercy, Ralph. Mr. Day died Mar. 25, 1795, and is buried in Dover.



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LUKE DEAN (50) was the son of Joseph and Hannah (Baker) Deanz; he was born on the home-stead, now the grounds of the Powisset Club Association, May 29, 1750, and was descended in the fifth generation from John Dean, who with his wife Sarah appeared in Dedham in 1676. He was at the Lexington Alarm and served nine days, also at the Battle of Bunker Hill, being a corporal in Capt. Daniel Whiting's Company; also served in fortifying Dorchester Heights. He was corporal in Capt. John Ellis' Company which was raised to fortify the passes of North River, N. Y. He was also at Fort Clinton on King's Ferry in 1778, serving 8 mos. and 18 days. He married in 1771, Rebecca Russell. Children: Rebecca, Cate, Richard, Betsey, Polly, Joseph, Faxon, Hannah, Roxy, Colburn, John C. He died Mar. 18, 1825, and is buried in Dover.

ELIJAH DEWING, son of Ebenezer and Isabelle (Brownley) Dewing, was born in Needham July 11, 1761, and was descended in fifth generation from Andrew Dewing, who was received into the Dedham Church in 1646. He was one of the first settlers in Dover, and had a house here in 1669, which stood near the Benjamin N. Sawin picnic grounds on the Clay Brook Road. He later lived in Needham and had a garrison house in what is now Wellesley. Elijah Dewing was paid by the Parish for doing guard duty in Boston<sup>†</sup> in September, 1778, and was a member of the Continental Army. He was a farmer and owned the Robert J. Gilmore place on Dedham street. He sold this estate and bought the Josiah Whiting farm on Pine street. He married May 14, 1788, Betty Reed, daughter of John and Sybil (Chency) Reed and had ten children, the four oldest of whom were born in Dover. He lived in Hopkinton, Bellingham and Medway, in which latter town he died Sept. 10, 1844.

JAMES DRAPER (52), was the son of Joseph and Deborah (Ellis) Draper, and was born on the farm owned by the



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late William Slavin on Farm street, Feb. 20, 1732, and was descended in the fourth generation from James Draper, the Puritan. This farm was first occupied by his father at the time of his marriage in 1725, and it is not impossible that the present house was built at that time. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent one day, also at Dorchester Heights. Mr. Draper was a farmer and inherited his father's farm. He married April 1, 1767, Lois Adams of Wrentham. Children: Chloe, James, Mehitable Lois, William. He died Apr. 6, 1785, and is buried in Dover.

JOHN DRAPER (53), was the son of John and Maria (Hall) Draper. He was born on his father's farm on Springdale avenue (owned by the late William Whiting) Aug. 8, 1725, and was descended in the fourth generation from James Draper, who came with his wife to America about 1650, and lived in both Roxbury and Dedham. Mr. Draper marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent one day; also did guard duty in 1777 and 1778 in Cambridge and other places. He lived on the homestead on Springdale avenue. He married Oct. 3, 1751, Abigail, daughter of John and Elizabeth Cheney. Children: Elizabeth, Moses, Lydia, Josiah, Aaron, Daniel, Abigail, Miriam, Mary. He died Feb. 3, 1805, and is buried in Dover.

JOSEPH DRAPER, Jr. (54), son of Joseph and Deborah (Ellis) Draper, was born on his father's farm on Farm street near Springdale avenue June 9, 1731, and was descended in the fourth generation from James Draper. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent three days. He settled on a part of the original Draper homestead which was first occupied by James Draper about 1656, and now owned by Chester A. Hanchett. He married Mar. 1, 1759, Lydia, daughter of Michael and Abigail Bacon, and had six children born to him in Dover as follows: Deborah, Enoch, Michael, Joseph, Cato, Joseph. He moved to Hardwick, Mass.



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JOSIAH DRAPER (55), son of John and Abigail (Cheney) Draper, was born on the Draper homestead on Springdale avenue Aug. 2, 1758, and was descended in the fifth generation from James Draper. He took part in the Battle of Bunker Hill in Brewer's Regiment, and also served at the siege of Boston, being a drummer in Capt. Daniel Whiting's Company. Mr. Draper was a farmer. He built the house and cleared the farm on Centre street known as the John McKenzie place. He married Keziah Knowlton. Children: Polly, Moses, Abigail. He died Oct. 4, 1839, and is buried in Dover.

MOSES DRAPER (56), son of John and Abigail (Cheney) Draper, was born on the homestead on Springdale avenue Feb. 9, 1754, and was descended in the fifth generation from James Draper. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent four days, was also in the Battle of Bunker Hill in Brewer's Regiment. He settled in Boston.

THOMAS DRAPER (57), son of John and Maria (Hall) Draper, was born on his father's farm on Springdale avenue June 26, 1732, and was descended in the fourth generation from James Draper, the Puritan. He lived on the homestead on Farm street, near the house of Dea. Asa Talbot. He was a private in Capt. Daniel Whiting's Company in Brewer's Regiment at the Battle of Bunker Hill, serving two months and 27 days. He married May 14, 1766, Lydia, daughter of John and Lydia (Burrage) Cheney. Child: Esther. He died in the service at Roxbury Aug. 10, 1775.

JESSE ELLIS, son of Aaron and Zipporah (Lewis) Ellis, was born Oct. 25, 1740, and was descended in the fourth generation from Richard Ellis, who was one of the early settlers in Dedham. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent one day, was a sergeant in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company at Dorchester Heights; also at Ticonderoga under





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Capt. Stowe in 1776. He suffered from sickness as shown by a certificate signed by Surgeon John Metcalf, which stated that he was in ill health and recommended that a pass be given him to go to Castleton or Skeensborough in the belief that he might recover. He has not been traced beyond his service in the Revolution.

- JOHN ELLIS (1), was probably the son of William and Abigail (Millet) Ellis and was born in Dedham Oct. 4, 1735. He was descended from Richard Ellis of Dedham. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent one day. He probably worked as a farm hand in the Springfield Parish.

WILLIAM ELLIS, son of Eleazer, Jr., and Mary (Crosby) Ellis, was born on the Rev. Benjamin Caryl farm (9) on Dedham street, April 23, 1738. He was descended in the fourth generation from Richard Ellis who was a resident of Dedham as early as 1642. William Ellis's name appears on the tablets erected by the Ashuelot Chapter, D. A. R., in memory of the soldiers of the Revolution in the Thayer Memorial Library, Keene, New Hampshire. William Ellis married in the Springfield Parish Feb. 18, 1763, Mehitable, daughter of Joshua and Elizabeth (Fisher) Ellis. He removed the year of his marriage to Keene. Children: Mehitable, Eleazer, Eleazer, Joshua, William, Sally, Fisher.

AARON FAIRBANKS, son of Benoni and Johannah (Lyon) Fairbanks, was born in Dedham, where he was baptized Jan. 31, 1742, and was descended in the fifth generation from Jonathan Fairbanks, who came from England to Boston in 1631, and settled in Dedham in 1636. He served at the Lexington Alarm eight days, marched at the Bunker Hill Alarm II, June 17, 1775, and took part in fortifying Dorchester Heights; also did guard duty about Boston<sup>†</sup> 1778. He married Dec. 31, 1767, Lois Goodenow of Boston and had a son Aaron. In 1779 he moved to Stoddard, New Hampshire, having bought a farm there.



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<sup>5</sup> ICHABOD FARRINGTON did guard<sup>d</sup> duty in and about Boston in 1778 for which service he was paid by the Parish.

<sup>2</sup> SAMUEL FARRINGTON was a son of John and Patience (White) Farrington and was born in Dedham Oct. 4, 1730. He was probably a farm hand in the Springfield Parish. He marched at the Bunker Hill Alarm II, June 17, 1775, served in fortifying Dorchester Heights, was at Ticonderoga in 1776 and did guard duty at Roxbury<sup>d</sup> in 1778. He did not settle in the Parish.

THOMAS FERRETT was probably a farm hand. He married Lydia Figgins of Natick May 8, 1777, and is not further traced. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent two days.

JOHN FISHER (58), son of John and Mary (Fuller) Fisher, was born in Needham Nov. 4, 1744, and was descended in the sixth generation from Anthony Fisher, who settled in Dedham in 1637. He owned the Plimpton farm on Centre street which he settled in 1767. He served at the Lexington Alarm for ten days, was at Castle Island in 1776, and did guard duty at Roxbury for twenty-eight days in 1778. He married Dec. 17, 1767, Mary Metcalf. He died May 24, 1778, without issue and is buried in Dover.

JOSEPH FISHER\* (59), son Joseph and Mary (Metcalf) Fisher, was born in Dedham, May 17, 1739, and was descended in the sixth generation from Anthony Fisher. He was a sergeant in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company at the Lexington Alarm and served eight days; marched at the Alarm at

\* Joseph Fisher, son of Jeremiah and Prudence (Crosby) Fisher was born in Needham, Aug. 7, 1735, and may have rendered this service, as he lived in Dover for a time. Two Joseph Fishers marched "on the alarm of the Bunker Hill fight," June 17, 1775, as shown by Capt. Joseph Guild's Muster roll.



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Bunker Hill II, June 17, 1775, and engaged in fortifying Dorchester Heights; also at Castle Island in 1776. He married Mar. 8, 1764, Mary, daughter of Edward and Mary (Allen) Everett. Children: Jesse, Joseph, Chloe, Edward. He moved to Natick soon after the beginning of the Revolution, but returned to Dover and lived on the "New Mill farm" where he died Dec. 2, 1790. He is probably buried in Dover.

SAMUEL FISHER (60), son of Samuel and Mary Chickering) Fisher, was born on the Powisset farm Jan. 11, 1757, and was descended in the sixth generation from Anthony Fisher. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent six days. He inherited the homestead at Powisset but after a time moved to Dover Centre, having bought the farm now owned by Eben Higgins on Walpole street. He married in 1783 Abigail, daughter of Asa and Beriah (Fisher) Mason. Children: Samuel, Abigail, George, Isaac, Charles, Lucy, Mason, Sally, Nathan. He died April 14, 1822, and is buried in Dover.

WILLIAM FISHER (61), son of Jeremiah and Prudence (Crosby) Fisher, was born in Needham Feb. 20, 1739-40, and was descended in the fifth generation from Anthony Fisher. He bought in 1773 ninety-six acres of land near what is known as the New Mill and cleared a farm. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent four days; also took part in fortifying Dorchester Heights. He sold his farm in 1787 to Joseph Fisher, since which time he has not been traced.

DANIEL FULLER (62), son of David and Elizabeth (Dean) Fuller, was born on the Strawberry Hill farm (John A. Sullivan farm), Nov. 6, 1760, and was descended in the fifth generation from Thomas Fuller who was first mentioned in the Dedham Records in 1642. Mr. Fuller did guard<sup>d</sup> duty in 1778 and enlisted in the Continental Army for six months in 1780. He married in 1786 Abigail Eaton, and settled in Francestown, New Hampshire.



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DAVID FULLER<sup>†</sup> (63), son of David and Elizabeth (Everett) Fuller, was born in Needham Dec. 6, 1731, and was descended in the fourth generation from Thomas Fuller. He married and settled on the Strawberry Hill Farm in 1755. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent two days; also served the Parish on various committees during the Revolutionary War. He married Mar. 27, 1755, Elizabeth Dean, a great granddaughter of Capt. Samuel Wadsworth of Milton, who was killed at the Battle at Sudbury, July, 1676. Children: David, Elizabeth, Daniel, Abigail, David, Catherine, Rebecca, Hannah, Joseph. He died April 28, 1805, and is buried in Dover.

THOMAS GARDNER, son of Andrew and Sarah Gardner, was born in Needham Sept. 23, 1746. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent ten days; also marched at the Bunker Hill Alarm II, June 17, 1775; also took part in fortifying Dorchester Heights in 1776. He married in the Parish Nov. 5, 1771, Patience Farrington, but did not settle in Dover.

EZRA GAY, son of Stephen and Sarah Gay, was born in Dedham Feb. 19, 1721, being descended in the fifth generation from John Gay, who emigrated to America about 1630 and subsequently settled in Dedham. Mr. Gay was one of the petitioners for the organization of the Springfield Parish in 1748 but was not a constant resident. He served at the Lexington Alarm from the Third Parish (now Westwood) and was absent two days; marched at the alarm at Bunker Hill II, with the Springfield Parish men, June 17, 1775; also served at Ticonderoga in 1776. He married in 1753 Elizabeth Fisher, and died (it is believed without issue) in 1776. The location of his farm is unknown, but he is believed to have lived on Strawberry Hill.

JAMES GAY, probably a farm hand, was a resident of the Springfield Parish during a part of the period of the Revo-





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lutionary War. He was paid by the Parish for doing guard duty.‡ Mr. Gay was at the Lexington Alarm, Battle of Bunker Hill, Dorchester Heights, Ticonderoga, and enlisted in the Continental Army. He was born in 1755 as shown by the Revolutionary Records.

STEPHEN GAY (64), whose ancestry is unknown, marched to re-enforce the Northern Army in 1777 and did guard duty at Roxbury‡ and Dorchester Heights in 1778. He later entered the Continental Army. His farm (long since abandoned) was near the Larrabee estate on Strawberry Hill. He married in 1787, Silence Merrifield of Milton. Children: Catherine, Abigail, Olive, George, Sally, Hannah.

TIMOTHY GUY (10), who is said to have come to America from Bristol, England, should be included in this list of Revolutionary heroes as he was one of those who took part in throwing the tea overboard in Boston Harbor on the night of Dec. 16, 1773, thus offering resistance to King George. He served in the French and Indian War and was at the siege of Louisburg. He married first, in 1740, Martha, daughter of Jonathan and Bethia (Fisk) Plimpton of Medfield, and second, in 1793, Abigail, daughter of Joseph and Abigail Bacon of Sherborn. Children: Benjamin, Jonathan, Bethshua, Nathan. He settled on the Smith estate on Smith street, which was originally the property of his father-in-law, Jonathan Plimpton. The date of his death is unknown; he is buried in Dover.

ELIAS HAVEN (65), son of Dea. Joseph and Mirian (Bayley) Haven, was born in Hopkinton June 18, 1742, and was descended in the fifth generation from Richard Haven, who settled in Lynn in 1644. Mr. Haven was a cordwainer as well as husbandman. He settled on and owned the little place on Farm street lately occupied by Henry Deihl. When the alarm was given on the morning of April 19, 1775, he was at work harrowing in a field on the George Ellis Chickering



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farm. The harrow used on that day is still in existence and was used for many years on Mr. Chickering's farm. He marched at the Lexington Alarm in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company and was the only minute man from Dedham who was killed in the engagement. He was shot down while standing beside his brother-in-law, Aaron Whiting, at a corner of the Arlington meeting-house and is buried near the spot. He married June 14, 1764, Jemima, daughter of Jonathan and Anna (Bullard) Whiting. Children: Elias, Abigail, Jemima.

LEMUEL HERRINGG was descended from Thomas Herring who, with his wife Mary, was admitted into the Dedham Church in 1651. Thomas Herring took part in King Philip's War. Lemuel Herring marched at the Lexington Alarm in the West Dedham Company; was at the Battle of Bunker Hill in Brewer's Regiment; also at the siege of Boston. He was at Ticonderoga in 1776; served at Providence<sup>‡</sup> in 1777 and in the Rhode Island expedition in 1778. He was paid by the Springfield Parish for guard duty and was probably working here as a farm hand.

PETITIAH HERRING, son of Petitiah and Hepzibah (Lyon) Herring, was born in Dedham Mar. 28, 1750, and was descended in the fifth generation from Thomas Herring, who first settled in Dorchester and was admitted to the Dedham Church in 1651. The Herrings were early settlers in West Dedham, and Petitiah may have been born in the Herring homestead, now owned by the Rev. C. S. Locke. He was in Dover at different times, probably living with his uncle, Thomas Herring, on Hartford street. He represented both the Springfield and Clapboard Trees Parishes in the Revolution. He was at the siege of Boston; took part in the Battle of Bunker Hill, being in Brewer's Regiment and guarded at Watertown in 1778. He married Jan. 27, 1774, Katherine Gay, married secondly, Aug. 13, 1780, Judith Caryl of Medfield.



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ADAM JONES (66), son of Col. John and Tabitha (Battelle) Jones, was born on the Benjamin P. Cheney estate June 25, 1760, and was descended in the fifth generation from Lewis Jones who came to America about 1640 and settled in Roxbury. Adam Jones did guard duty at Roxbury<sup>‡</sup> in 1778 for which he was paid by the Parish. He married Dec. 28, 1786, Elizabeth Ellis of Dedham. He moved from Dover and died in Templeton, Mass., in 1825.

OLIVER KENDRICK, whose ancestry is unknown, was probably a farm hand. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent two days. He married Nov. 14, 1775, Elizabeth Cheney of Dedham, and settled in Warwick, Mass.

JESSE KNAPP (67), son of John and Mary (Whitney) Knapp, was born in Newton, Feb. 17, 1726, and was descended in the fifth generation from William Knapp, who settled in Watertown in 1630. Jesse Knapp was a blacksmith and owned the Skimmings place on Main street. His blacksmith shop stood on land now included in Springdale Park. He marched at the Lexington Alarm, being a sergeant in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company, and was absent eight days, also in the Battle of Bunker Hill, also a Lieutenant in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company at the time of taking and fortifying Dorchester Heights; also in the Army at the siege of Boston. He served the parish on various Committees to raise men to go into the army. He married in 1760 Submit Cook of Needham. Children: Rhoda, Javan, Nahum, Sally, Joash. He moved from Dover in 1791.

THOMAS LARRABEE\*† (68), son of Thomas Larrabee, was born in Woburn Aug. 15, 1752, and was descended in the

\* A study of the genealogy of the family shows that it was Thomas Larrabee's father who took part in the French and Indian War instead of Thomas of Dover, who has previously had credit for the service.



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fourth generation from Ephraim Larrabee who was of Charlestown in 1717. Thomas Larrabee enlisted in the Continental Army in Col. Baldwin's Regiment in December, 1775, was at Ticonderoga in 1776, and in the Continental Army in New Jersey in 1780, also did guard duty in and about Boston<sup>†</sup> in 1778. He married in June, 1778, Bathsheba Morse. Children: Jonathan, Thomas, Rebecca, Joseph, Hannah, Josiah. He settled on Strawberry Hill. His house was raised by Revolutionary Soldiers. He died July 10, 1832, and is buried in Dover.

JAMES MANN (69), son of James Mann, was born in Natick in 1752 and was descended in the fifth generation from William Mann, who was an early settler at Cambridge. He took part at the Lexington Alarm and was absent seven days; also marched at the Alarm of Bunker Hill<sup>II</sup> June 17, 1775; also took part in fortifying Dorchester Heights. His farm, the George C. Taylor place, lay off of Walpole street. He married Feb. 25, 1775, Lydia, daughter of Daniel and Kezia (Ellis) Chickering. Children: Daniel, Simeon, Betsey, James. He died Feb. 3, 1824, and is buried in Dover.

ASA MASON (70), son of Ebenezer and Dorothy (Morse) Mason, was born in Medfield in 1727, and was descended in the fourth generation from John Mason who was of Dedham in 1651. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent thirteen days, also at the Alarm at Bunker Hill<sup>II</sup> June 17, 1775. He served at Dorchester Heights; also at Castle Island in 1776. He lived on Pine street and owned the farm for many years known as the Josiah Whiting place. He was a cooper and carried on his trade in connection with his farm. He married in 1755 Beriah, daughter of Isaac and Esther (Mann) Fisher of Wrentham. Children: Beriah, Ebenezer, Abigail, Eunice, Esther, Asa, Sarah, Kezia, Amos, Nathan. He died in 1803 and is buried in Medfield.





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JOHN MASON (71), son of Seth and Rebecca (Andrews) Mason, was born on the Mason homestead (Benjamin Kenrick place, on Farm street) Aug. 23, 1737, and was descended in the fourth generation from John Mason. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent eight days; also at the Alarm II at Bunker Hill\* June 17, 1775; was a sergeant in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company at the time of taking and fortifying Dorchester Heights. He married Nov. 19, 1789, Margery, daughter of Zechariah and Sarah (Rich) Mason of Medfield and died without issue Oct. 19, 1805. He lived on the homestead and is buried in Dover.

MOSES MASON (72), son of Seth and Rebecca (Andrews) Mason, was born on the homestead on Farm street, Mar. 11, 1752, and was descended in the fourth generation from John Mason. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent three days; also served at Castle Island in 1776. He has not been traced since his service in the Revolutionary War.

WILLIAM MANSFIELD probably a farm hand, whose ancestry has not been traced, marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent three days.

NATHAN METCALF (73), son of Samuel and Sybil Metcalf, was born on his father's farm on Farm street (Colcord estate), in 1744, and was descended in the third generation from Samuel Metcalf of Medway. He took part at the Lexington Alarm and was absent three days, also at the Bunker Hill

\*The cannonading at the Battle of Bunker Hill was very loud and was distinctly heard in Dover. The news of a battle was extended long distances by the repeated firing of cannons. The sound was first heard at Hanover, New Hampshire, by an Indian, who chanced to be lying with his ear to the ground. President Wheelock of Dartmouth wrote in his diary: Some reports of cannons. We wait with impatience to hear the occasion and event.



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Alarm June 17, 1775; also engaged in fortifying Dorchester Heights. He married Nov. 21, 1765, Sarah Richardson. Children: Nathan, John, Calvin, Sally, Orias, Polly. He died July 27, 1785, and is believed to be buried in Dover.

NATHAN MELLE<sup>N</sup> (74), son of James and Martha (Battelle) Mellen, was born in Framingham, Feb. 21, 1758, and was descended in the fifth generation from Richard Mellen, who took the freeman's oath in Weymouth in 1639 and later moved to Charlestown. He guarded Burgoyne's<sup>†</sup> troops at Boston for five months in 1777-8 for which service he was paid by the Parish. His mother was a daughter of Nathaniel Battelle, and was born on the Clay Brook road. He is believed to have been living with his grandfather in 1777. He married Anna Nutt of Hopkinton and had four children born to him in Framingham and Upton as follows: Anna, Patty, Nathaniel, Nancy. He moved to Vermont and died in that state in 1830.

THOMAS MORSE (75), son of Seth and Abigail (Battelle) Morse, was born in Holliston, in 1740, and was descended in the fifth generation from Samuel Morse, who was born in England in 1585, emigrated to New England in 1635, settled in Dedham in 1637, and died in Medfield in 1654. Mr. Morse was living with his grandfather, John Battelle, on the so-called Farrington farm on Main street, at the breaking out of the Revolution. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent three days, also served in Brewer's Regiment at the Battle of Bunker Hill, also at the siege of Boston. He is believed to have done guard<sup>†</sup> duty at Roxbury in 1778, for which service he was paid by the Parish. He died unmarried in Hopkinton, Mass.

JOSEPH PARKER, was probably a farm hand. His intention of marriage with Louise Carver of Dedham was published Nov. 9, 1776. He marched at the Lexington Alarm



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and was absent nine days; also took part at the Battle of Bunker Hill; also in taking and fortifying Dorchester Heights; also in the army at the siege of Boston. His ancestry has not been traced.

EBENEZER NEWELL,<sup>†</sup> (176), son of Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Bullard) Newell, was born on his father's farm on Strawberry Hill (Woodward estate), Oct. 18, 1736, and was descended in the fifth generation from Abraham Newell who settled in Roxbury. When the town of Dedham in 1774 passed a vote forbidding any inhabitant to drink any kind of India tea, Ebenezer Newell was made one of a Committee of three from the Parish to see that this vote was complied with and to post the names of any who violated this vote. He was a Lieutenant in Capt. Joseph Guild's Company of minute men at the Lexington Alarm, also marched at the Alarm at Bunker Hill<sup>II</sup> June 17, 1775; also a Lieutenant in 1776 in the First Boston Regiment; was at Fort Hancock, in Cape Elizabeth, Maine; also guarded Burgoyne's<sup>‡</sup> troops one hundred and fifty days in 1777-8. He owned the Eben Higgins farm on Walpole street. He married 1st, April 24, 1760, Elizabeth Wheaton, married 2nd, May 17, 1773, Abigail, daughter of Hezekiah and Mary (Draper) Allen; married 3rd, July 13, 1776, Rachel Ames. Children: Jesse, Asa, Ebenezer, George, Joseph, Betsey, Polly, Sally, Calvin, Nabby, Rachel, Luther, Willard. He died Feb. 25, 1797, and is buried in Dover.

THEODORE NEWELL (177), son of Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Bullard) Newell, was born on his father's farm on Strawberry Hill, May 20, 1744, and was descended in the fifth generation from Abraham Newell. He marched at the Lexington Alarm, being a corporal in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company, and was absent eight days. He owned the farm on Pine street known as the Josiah Whiting estate. He married Oct. 5, 1771, Anna Eames of Dedham. Children: Theo-



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dore, Anna, Aaron, Elijah, Anna, Hannah, Sophronia. He moved with his family to Enfield, Mass.

JOHN REED (78), was probably a son of Josiah Reed, who settled the George E. Taylor farm on Walpole street in 1758. John Reed bought in 1778 the Daniel Whiting estate in the centre of the town. He later sold the tavern property and built the first house on Allen F. Smith's place on Centre street. He did guard duty† and was paid for his services by the Parish. He married 1st, March 12, 1766, Sybil, daughter of James and Sybil (Littlefield) Cheney, and 2nd, Elizabeth ———. Children: Sybil, Susannah, John, Josiah, Betty, Sally. He left Dover about 1783 and has not been since traced.

ABIJAH RICHARDS (79), son of Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, was born on the Richards homestead on Strawberry Hill (Miss Mary Bullard estate), July 2, 1758, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards, who arrived in America in 1632 in the ship "Lyon" from London. He lived in Cambridge for four years and then threw in his lot with the Dedham proprietors in 1636-7. Abijah Richards was a cooper and had a house on his father's farm which was later absorbed by his father's estate. He was a private in Capt. Aaron Guild's Company and served at Dorchester Heights; also at Castle Island in 1776; also did guard† duty in and about Boston in 1778; also served in the Continental Army in 1778; also for nine months in 1779. He married Nov. 18, 1780, Abigail Mansell of Scituate. Children: Anna, Abigail, Mary, Abijah. He died in 1789 and is buried in Dover.

ASA RICHARDS (80), son of Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, was born on the Strawberry Hill farm. He was baptized Oct. 9, 1743, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards, who settled the Burgess farm in Dedham in 1636-7. Asa Richards lived on the home-





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stead. He was a private at the Lexington Alarm and was absent two days; also sergeant in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company in taking and fortifying Dorchester Heights; also Lieutenant in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company in doing guard duty in Roxbury<sup>†</sup> in 1778; also 2nd Lieutenant in Massachusetts Militia probably in 1778. He married Oct. 24, 1774, Drusilla, daughter of William and Sarah Bullard, and had one child, Reuben, born to him in the Parish. He was a cooper as well as farmer. He moved to Ashford, Conn., in 1783.

DAVID RICHARDS,\* son of Ebenezer and Thankful (Stratton) Richards, was born on the Burgess farm in Dedham, Jan. 26, 1755, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards. He served in Rhode Island<sup>‡</sup> in 1778. He married in 1781, Chloe, daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Whiting) Richards. Children: Thomas, David, Ebenezer, Rebecca, William, Whiting, Lyman Willard, Wyatt, Mary Fuller. He moved to Hardwick where he died Dec. 29, 1817.

EBENEZER RICHARDS (81), son of Ebenezer and Thankful (Stratton) Richards, was born in Dedham July 16, 1744, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards. He settled here at the time of his marriage, 1769, and cleared the farm on Dedham street, lately owned by Williams and Goodwin. He marched at the Lexington Alarm, and was absent four days; also marched at the Bunker Hill Alarm<sup>II</sup> June 17, 1775; also served in taking and fortifying

\* The complete service of many Revolutionary Soldiers can never be determined as there are often in the archives several persons bearing the same name without a residence, and sometimes when the residence is given as many as four persons of the same name have been located in the same town. David Richards is one of these whose record for reasons given above cannot be fully determined.



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Dorchester Heights; also served in doing guard duty at Roxbury<sup>‡</sup> and Providence. He married in 1769 Hannah Wiswall. Children: Ebenezer, Noah Wiswall, John, Hannah, Sally, Betsey, John. He died Aug. 11, 1784, and is buried in Dover. In recording his death the town clerk made this entry. "The first death since Dover was incorporated."

JESSE RICHARDS (82), son of Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, was born on the Richards homestead on Strawberry Hill, Sept. 28, 1762, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards. He was paid by the Parish for doing guard duty<sup>‡</sup> in 1778, and in 1780 served from Roxbury for six months in the Continental Army. He married Nov. 13, 1788, Sarah, daughter of Jeremiah and Sarah (Dean) Fisher. Children born in the Parish: Rufus, Sarah. He was a hatter and moved to Roxbury.

JOSIAH RICHARDS (83), son of Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, was born on his father's farm on Strawberry Hill, Nov. 15, 1749, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards. He marched at the Lexington Alarm in Capt. Joseph Guild's Company and was absent 13 days; also enlisted in Capt. Daniel Whiting's Company for 3 months and 5 days in 1775; also took part in Battle of Bunker Hill, serving in Brewer's Regiment; also engaged in taking and fortifying Dorchester Heights; also a corporal in Capt. Abel Richards' Company in doing guard duty at Roxbury and Boston. He married May 11, 1778, Sarah, daughter of Samuel and Abigail Shuttleworth. Children born in the Parish: Payton, Nancy. He moved with his family to Washington, N. H.

LEMUEL RICHARDS (12), son of Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, was born on his father's farm on Strawberry street, Jan. 22, 1737, and was descended in the



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fifth generation from Edward Richards. He was a private in one of Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Companies, but the time and place is not given, probably at Dorchester Heights; also Lieutenant in Capt. Timothy Stowe's Company at Concord in 1776; also guarded Continental stores in and about Watertown. He also served in the French and Indian War. He married June 14, 1764, Rebecca, daughter of Joseph and Rebecca Chickering. Children: Joseph, Rebecca, Lydia, Edward, Abigail, Abigail, Jabez, Lennel, Deborah, Abigail, Sarah. He first built in 1764 a house on the Robert G. Calmore place on Dedham street; in 1785 he settled on the Charles J. Spear farm. He died Feb. 6, 1821, and is buried in Dover.

MOSES RICHARDS (13), son of Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, was born on the Strawberry Hill farm Dec. 11, 1739, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent twelve days; also at the Alarm II, June 17, 1775; also engaged in fortifying Dorchester Heights. Previous to the revolution he took part in the French and Indian War. He married, Dec. 8, 1762, Mehitable, daughter of John and Mehitable Battelle, and had one child, Mehitable, born to him in the Parish. He bought the Ebenezer Battelle farm which is now a part of the Larrabee estate. He moved to Warwick, Mass.

RICHARD RICHARDS (84), son of Thomas and Rebecca (Whiting) Richards, was born on his father's farm, now owned by Richard Hale, on Strawberry Hill street, Dec. 5, 1749. He was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent three days; also took part in fortifying Dorchester Heights. He married May 11, 1780, Hannah Bird of Needham. Children: Olive, Calvin, Luther, Hannah. He lived on that part of his father's farm which is now known



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as the Arthur F. Dodge place. He died Aug. —, 1826, and is buried in Dover.

SAMUEL RICHARDS (85), son of Samuel and Hannah (Metcalf) Richards, was born in Dedham, Sept. 9, 1757, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards. He probably lived with his uncle, Ebenezer Richards, on Dedham street for a time. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent four days. He was an apprentice in Tuckerman's bakery in Boston, and during the siege daily carried bread to the British troops. He settled in Boston, where he was a successful hardware merchant at 7 Ann street, and returned to Dedham in 1803. In 1779 he married Mary, daughter of Josiah and Sarah (Holbrook) White. Josiah White was descended from Peregrine White of the Mayflower. Children: Mary Ann, Samuel, John, Henry White, Edward, Sarah Elizabeth, Edward, Edward Metcalf, John Holbrook. He died in Dedham Aug. 28, 1844, and is buried there.

SOLOMON RICHARDS (86), son of Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, was born on his father's farm on Strawberry Hill, Oct. 21, 1751, and was descended in the fifth generation from Edward Richards. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent three days; also engaged in fortifying Dorchester Heights. He lived on his father's farm on Strawberry Hill which he sold in 1804, and moved to West Roxbury. He married March 3, 1775, Sarah, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Whiting) Richards. Children: Paul, Lucy, Nathaniel, Isaac D. He died in West Roxbury, Oct. 9, 1834.

THADDEUS RICHARDS (87), son of Josiah and Hannah (Whiting) Richards, was born on the Strawberry Hill farm, Nov. 14, 1747, and was descended from Edward Richards in the fifth generation. Served in Capt. Joseph Guild's Company of Minute Men, April 19, 1775, and was absent thir-





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teen days; also marched on the Alarm at Bunker Hill II, June 17, 1775; also served at Dorchester Heights; also at Ticonderoga in 1774; also did guard<sup>d</sup> duty for fifteen days in 1778. He married in 1770 Mary Colburn. Children born to him in the Parish: Thaddeus, Molly, Ephraim, Abigail. Mr. Richards moved with family to Ashford, Conn.

BARACK SMITH (88), son of Caleb and Deborah Smith, was born in Needham, and probably worked here as a farm hand. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent two days; also in fortifying Dorchester Heights; also at Ticonderoga in 1776; also guarded at Roxbury,<sup>f</sup> Watertown and Providence during the year 1778; also at North River in 1779; also in re-enforcing Continental Army for three months at Rhode Island in 1780. He married Aug. 30, 1782, Abigail, daughter of Ebenezer and Hannah (Allen) Battelle. Children born to him in the Parish: Jabez, Nabby, Deborah, Barak, Mehitable, Lucy, Louisa. He moved from Dover previous to the year 1800.

EBENEZER SMITH (89), son of Ebenezer and Lydia (Hartshorn) Smith, was born in West Dedham Feb. 26, 1747-8, and was descended in the fifth generation from Robert Smith, who first appeared in Exeter, New Hampshire, in 1630, and later settled in Hampton. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent two days; also served at Dorchester Heights. He bought the land and cleared the farm on Dedham street lately owned by Michael W. Comisky in 1775, and was a cordwainer by trade. He married Oct. 31, 1775, Catherine, daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Whiting) Richards. Children: Lewis, Ebenezer, Olive, Catherine, Rufus, Rebecca. He died Feb. 16, 1819, and is buried in Dover.

JOSEPH SMITH (90), son of Ebenezer and Lydia (Hartshorn) Smith, was born in West Dedham Aug. 25, 1746, and was descended in the fifth generation from Robert Smith. At



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the time of the breaking out of the Revolution he was working in Roxbury for Dea. Davis. He was a sergeant in Capt. Moses Whiting's Company of Roxbury Minute Men which marched on the alarm April 19, 1775, and was absent twenty-eight days. He took part in the Battle of Bunker Hill, in Brewer's Regiment, and the flint lock gun which he carried is still in existence. He was in the siege of Boston; also took part in the work of fortifying Dorchester Heights. He married Sept. 17, 1777, Calla, daughter of Hezekiah and Mary (Peters) Allen and had one child, Draper, born to him in the Parish. He lived on Farm street on the farm known as the David E. Allen place, now absorbed by the estate of Benjamin C. Dorr. He settled in Westminster where he is buried, having died Sept. 6, 1808.

ELIAS STIMSON, whose ancestry is unknown, was probably a farm hand. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent six days, also marched on the Bunker Hill Alarm II, June 17, 1775; also engaged in fortifying Dorchester Heights, also entered the Continental Army and was at Ti conderoga in 1776, also served in Rhode Island in 1778.

SILAS TAFT was probably a son, or a grandson, of Silas Taft, born in Mendon about 1716, and son of Robert Taft of Braintree and Mendon. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent three days, also served in Rhode Island in 1780.

BILLINGS TISDALE (91), son of James and Estha (Mann) Tisdale, was born in Lebanon, Conn., March 16, 1740. He was descended in the fifth generation from John Tisdale, who first appeared in Duxbury, Mass., in 1637. Mr. Tisdale purchased the Bullard farm on County street, now owned by Charles J. Bradbury. He was a blacksmith by trade and had a shop on his farm where he worked at his trade for many years. He was a private in Capt. Sabin Mann's Company of Medfield Militia in 1770. He was a sergeant in Capt. Ezekiel Plimpton's Company, which went on a secret expedi-



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tion to Rhode Island in 1777. He married March 4, 1786, Charlotte, daughter of Oliver and Mary (Plimpton) Ellis of Medfield. Child, Elizabeth. Mr. Tisdale died Feb. 14, 1815, and is buried in Medfield.

HENRY TISDALE† (92), a son of James and Estlin (Mann) Tisdale, was born in Lebanon, Conn., July 31, 1759, and was descended in the fifth generation from John Tisdale, who located in Duxbury in 1637 and subsequently moved to Taunton. He was killed by the Indians during King Philip's War in 1675. Henry Tisdale cleared and settled the homestead on Hartford street in 1774. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent four days, also served at Dorchester Heights; also for seven months in 1776 in Capt. Oliver Soper's Company in New York State; also served in a secret expedition to Rhode Island in 1777. He married Jan. 4, 1774, Sarah, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Chickering) Fisher. Children: Fisher, Sally, James. He died Dec. 25, 1814, and is buried in Dover.

AARON WHITING† (93), son of Jonathan and Anna (Bullard) Whiting, was born on the Whiting homestead on Springdale avenue, Dec. 3, 1745, and was descended in the fourth generation from Nathaniel Whiting, who came to this country from Lincolnshire, England, in 1638. He first settled in Lynn, but soon after took up his residence in Dedham. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent eight days. He was a sergeant in Capt. Daniel Whiting's Company which took part in the Battle of Bunker Hill, also marched at the Dorchester Alarm March 4, 1776, in the First Dedham Company, also a member of Capt. Timothy Stowe's Company at Ticonderoga in 1776. He was a farmer and carried on the homestead (McNamara place) on Springdale avenue. Mr. Whiting married June 10, 1775, Mchitable South. Children: Aaron, Jonathan, Ruggles, Walter, Mchitable, Daniel,



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Olive, Ithamas, Charles, Rufus, Calvin, Paulina. He died Feb. 2, 1837, and is buried in Dover.

DANIEL WHITING<sup>†</sup> (14), son of Jonathan and Anna (Bullard) Whiting, was born on the homestead on Springdale avenue, Feb. 5, 1732-3, and was descended in the fourth generation from Nathaniel Whiting. He built in 1761 the house on Dedham street now occupied by George L. Howe. He served as 1st Lieut. in Capt. Ebenezer Battelle's Company of Minute Men who marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent eight days; also a Captain in Capt. Brewer's Regiment and took part in the Battle of Bunker Hill. He was a major in Col. Asa Whitcomb's Regiment and served at Ticonderoga in 1776, also entered the Continental Army in Col. Brooks' Regiment and served three years. In 1778 he was made a Lieut. Col. in the Sixth Regiment, also served in Col. Nixon's Regiment during the year 1780. He served in the French and Indian War at Crown Point in 1755. He married 1761, Mehitable, daughter of Daniel and Mehitable (Haven) Haven of Framingham. Children: Mehitable, Paul, Fanny, Roger, Nancy. He died in Natick, Oct. 17, 1807, and is buried in Dover.

ELLIS WHITING (94), son of William and Hannah (Ellis) Whiting, was born on his father's farm (Dunn Place) on Springdale Avenue, Sept. 20, 1760, and was descended in the fifth generation from Nathaniel Whiting. He was a private in Capt. Jacob Haskins' Company in 1778, also detached for the defence of Rhode Island in June, 1778; also served at Governor's<sup>‡</sup> Island in 1778.

JABEZ WHITING<sup>\*</sup> (95), son of William and Hannah (Ellis) Whiting, was born on his father's farm (Theodore

\* There was a Jonathan Whiting who marched from the Springfield Parish at the Bunker Hill Alarm, June 17, 1775, but his lineage has not been traced.





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Dunn place), Jan. 11, 1758, and was descended in the fifth generation from Nathaniel Whiting. He served at the Lexington Alarm and was absent three days, also marched at the Bunker Hill Alarm<sup>11</sup>, June 17, 1775; also engaged in fortifying Dorchester Heights in 1776, also served in Rhode Island expedition in 1778<sup>12</sup>, also did guard duty at Boston.

EPHRAIM WILSON (96), son of Nathaniel and Lydia (Richards) Wilson, was born on the Wilson homestead on Wilsondale street, Jan. 18, 1737-8, and was descended in the fourth generation from Henry Wilson, who came from Kent, England, in 1639, and settled the Wilson homestead the next year. He marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent four days, also engaged in fortifying Dorchester Heights. He lived on the homestead and married July 13, 1774, Sybil Allen. Children: Ephraim, Nathaniel. He died Apr. 26, 1822, and is buried in Dover.

SAMUEL WILSON\* (97), son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Hawes) Wilson, was born in Needham, Apr. 3, 1726, and was descended in the fourth generation from Henry Wilson. He took part in the Lexington Alarm and was absent four days, also engaged in the Battle of Bunker Hill, also in fortifying Dorchester Heights, also served in the siege of Boston. He lived on a farm not far from the house of Abijah Richards on Strawberry Hill. He married in 1768 Abigail Richards. Children: Samuel, Moses, Abigail, Thankful, Jesse, Hannah, Joseph, Asa.

SETH WIGHT, JR. (98), son of Seth and Sarah (Pratt) Wight, was born on the Noah Allen farm in Medfield, Jan. 20, 1753, and was descended in the fourth generation from Thom-

\* This service cannot be positively assured, as there were two Samuel Wilsons in the Parish at this time. Neither do the State Archives help, as seventy-eight separate records are given under the name of Samuel Wilson.



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as Wight, who first appeared in Watertown in 1635-6, and located with his wife and four children in Dedham in 1637. Seth Wight marched at the Lexington Alarm and was absent four days; also engaged in re-enforcing the army at or near New York in December, 1776. In 1747 his father purchased the Jonathan Mason place on Wight Street, and in 1772 he bought the adjoining farm of Ebenezer Newell and took up his residence in Dover. Both farms were united and now form the Arthur E. Davis estate. He married Oct. 30, 1772, Mary, daughter of John and Mary (Plimpton) Wight. Children: Aaron, Caleb, Oliver, Mary, Nabby, Clarissa, Asa, Cynthia, Arnold, Charlotte. He died July 14, 1790, and is buried in Dover.



## WAR OF 1812.

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Blessed with prosperity and dreading war, the people of the United States submitted to many acts of tyranny from Great Britain and France rather than become involved in armed conflict with them. Consequently the government of the United States was only nominally independent. Socially and commercially the United States tacitly acknowledged their dependence on Europe and especially upon England, and the latter was rapidly acquiring a dangerous political interest and influence in American affairs when the war of 1812 broke out.

The war begun in 1775 was really only the first great step towards independence; the war begun in 1812 first thoroughly accomplished the independence of the United States. Franklin once heard a person speaking of the Revolution as the war of independence" and reproved him saying: Sir, you mean the "Revolution"; the war of "independence" is yet to come. It was a war for independence but not of independence.

Harper's Encyclopaedia of United States History.

HARVEY AMBLER (99), son of Colburn and Sally (Day) Ambler, was born in Needham, April 12, 1803. He served from August 2 to November 2, 1814, at Fort Warren in Boston Harbor as a "captain's waiter" in Capt. George Fisher's Company, who drew pay for his services. He was a drummer and took his kettle drum with him to the fort. He married in 1828 Lavinia D., daughter of Jesse and Mary (Colburn) Cook of Needham. He was a paper maker and lived in the W. Mason Richards house on Centre Street, also in the Fisher house, off of Dedham Street, where he had ten children born to him as follows: Harvey A., Horace E., Sarah E., Luther C., William T., Mary R., Lydia L., James A., Arthur C., Jerry N. He died in Natick, April 18, 1884, and is buried in that town.



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FISHER AYERS (100), son of Jesse and Mehitabel (Kingsbury) Ayers, was probably born in Dover. He was a private in Capt. George Fisher's Company of Massachusetts Militia, and served at Fort Warren from August 2 to November 3, 1814. In recognition of his services a grant of land was made to his widow by the United States Government, consisting of one hundred and sixty acres, which was located in the state of Illinois. He married Sarah W. Worcester of Lancaster, Mass. Children: Fisher, Calvin, Frank, Benjamin, Lorenzo, Elizabeth, Mary Ann. Mr. Ayers lived on the Fisher farm at the New Mill off of Dedham Street. He died in 1839, and is buried in Dover.

JOHN BURRAGE (101), son of Thomas and Abigail (Fisher) Burrage, was born on the Burrage homestead on Farm Street, now owned by Robert S. Minot, Aug. 23, 1769, and was descended in the sixth generation from John Burrage, who came to America and first appeared at Charlestown in 1637. He served for a few days at Fort Warren in 1814—(Burrage Memorial). He lived for a time on the Aaron Bacon place on Farm Street, but later sold it and bought the Josiah Hammond farm on Centre Street, where he reared his family. He was a carpenter by trade, selectman, and a captain of the militia. John Burrage married July 12, 1792, Abigail, daughter of Gershom and Abigail (Rice) Pratt of Sherborn. Children: Sylvia, Roxanna, John Lowell, Ann, Caroline, John. He died April 23, 1851, and is buried in Dover.

CAPT. GEORGE FISHER (102), son of Samuel and Abigail (Mason) Fisher, was born on the Powisset farm, Powisset Street, July 1, 1786, and was descended in the seventh generation from Anthony Fisher, who came to New England, 1637, and settled in Dedham. George Fisher was a captain of a company in Col. Page's Regiment, Massachusetts Militia, and served at Fort Warren from August 2 to Oct. 2,





1814. He was a civil engineer by profession, and did preliminary work as a surveyor on the mill-dam, the first artificial road to connect Boston with the main land and the greatest undertaking up to that time (1814) which Boston had ever engaged in. The mill dam was a great convenience, and much used by the residents of Dover in driving and teaming to Boston. Mr. Fisher was a personal friend of Gov. DeWitt Clinton, and at his instigation moved to Lyons, New York, and took a prominent part in the construction of the Erie Canal. He married Jan. 1, 1811, Hannah, daughter of Isaac and Mary (Richards) Smith of Walpole. Children: Isaac Newton, George Washington, Mason Adams, Hannah Ann. In recognition of Mr. Fisher's services his widow was granted eighty acres of land in 1854 in the Wisconsin Patent. When he moved to New York State he was obliged to ford streams and go across the country with a team. The morning he left, at least a thousand people assembled at the Bubbling Brook schoolhouse at Walpole Corner to bid him a Godspeed. After the completion of the Erie Canal he went to New Orleans to engage in the construction of levees, where he died of yellow fever, Sept. 23, 1831, just six weeks after his arrival. He is buried in New Orleans.

DANIEL FULLER (103), son of David and Sally (Gay) Fuller, was born on the Strawberry Hill farm on Strawberry Hill Street, April 4, 1796, and was descended in the sixth generation from Thomas Fuller who first appeared in Dedham in 1642. Daniel Fuller was a private in Capt. Seth Hamlin's Company, 1st. Regiment, Massachusetts Militia, from January 28 to January 31, 1814, also a Captain of a company in Lieut. Col. James Appletton's 2nd Regiment, Massachusetts Militia, from September 19 to October 12, 1814. The United States Government issued land warrants to him, as follows: Forty acres in 1855 in Illinois, and a hundred and twenty acres in 1860 in the Wisconsin Patent. He married Judith, daughter



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of John Haven of Charlton, Mass., and had five sons. He was a stone mason by trade, but after losing an arm became a toll-gate tender at Forest Hills. He died Dec. 14, 1868, and is buried at Forest Hills.

LEONARD S. MARING (104), son of Nicholas and Susanna Maring, was born in Roxboro, N. H., Feb. 17, 1784. He was a private in Captain William Corwin's Company of Infantry, Jackson Regiment of New Jersey Militia. His service commenced September 17, 1812, and expired November 30, 1812. Warrants for land grants were issued to him, one of forty acres, in 1854, located in the Michigan Patent, and another of one hundred and twenty acres, in 1858, at Des Moines, Iowa. Mr. Maring was a mechanic and an original thinker, whose inventions added to the sum of human well being. He married Sept. 12, 1824, Pamela, daughter of Dr. George and Pamela (Martyr) Caryl, and had no children. He died Jan. 7, 1868, and is buried in Dover.

MICAJAH S. PLUMMER (105), son of Moses and Sarah (Allen) Plummer, was born in Gloucester, Mass., Aug. 21, 1796, and was descended in the seventh generation from Francis and Ruth Plummer, who came from Norfolk, England, to America in 1633, and settled in Newbury. Micajah S. Plummer was a member of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia which was called out to repel a threatened invasion. He served at Gloucester in Capt. John Smith's Company, Col. Appleton's Regiment in the battle Sept. 19th with the barges of the enemy; service from Sept. 19 to Oct. 12, 1814. He received a pension from the United States Government March 9, 1878. Mr. Plummer was in Boston for some years, and then went to Portland, Maine, where he was engaged in the grocery and provision business. He subsequently bought a farm in New Gloucester, Maine. In 1850 he moved to Dover and engaged in the grocery business. He married in 1831 Betsey, daughter of Caleb and Judith (Parsons) Haskell.



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Children: Charles Giddings, Osmond, Sara Allen, Martha Allen, Seth Haskell. He died April 10, 1888, and is buried in Dover.

ALEXANDER SOULE (106), son of James and Molly (Holmes) Soule, was born in Oxford, Maine, July 14, 1798. He was descended in the sixth generation from George Soule, one of the signers of the Mayflower compact, who settled in Duxbury. Alexander Soule served from September 25 to November 4, 1814, as a private in Capt. James Harlow's Company of Infantry, Ryerson's Regiment of Massachusetts Militia, being at the time a resident of Hebron, Maine. He was pensioned February 14, 1871; he also received a land grant of one hundred and sixty acres in 1851, which was located in the Wisconsin Patent. He was a farmer, and married April 3, 1823, Hannah, daughter of Michael and Hannah (Baker) Draper. Children: Charles Otis, Martha, Eliza Draper, Mary Baker. Mrs. Soule inherited her father's farm on Farm Street; (Chester A. Hanchett place), where Mr. Soule died in April, 1878, and is buried in Dover.

EBENEZER WILKINSON (107), son of Joseph and Ruth (Thorpe) Wilkinson, was born in Dedham Feb. 14, 1792. He was probably a grandson of Joseph Wilkinson of Stoughton. He was drafted into the service, but his record does not appear on the United States rolls or files. Warrants for land grants were issued to him (which show that he was in the service) as follows: 1853, forty acres in the Missouri Patent, and one hundred and twenty acres in 1856 at Des Moines, Iowa. He was a blacksmith, and had a shop which was located on the area now included in Springdale Park. He married April 10, 1805, Anna, daughter of Michael and Anna Bacon. Children: Edwin, Willard, William.



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The war with Mexico stirred the imagination with the romance which has ever been connected with the scenes of Spanish conquest heightened by the strange histories and vestiges of the most ancient people and civilization of the New World. It allured the adventurous spirit of the northern soldier by the attractions of a tropical climate and a land of superb mountain ranges veined with silver and gold, and of valleys and plains rich with Southern fruits and flowers.

This war formed an epoch in the history of the United States from which dates that heroic spirit of patriotism and those marvelous qualities of the American soldier of the last generation, which became so conspicuous in the Civil War, preparing for it some of the ablest officers and leaders.—Horatio O. Ladd.

HENRY H. AYER (108), born in Saratoga, New York, March 4, 1819, was, as far as known, the only person who has ever resided in Dover who took part in the Mexican War. He was a Major in the New Hampshire State Militia, where he lived long before settling here in 1851. He was a cabinet maker by occupation, and lived on County Street, on the little farm known as the Leeds place. He was on board the ship *Vandalia* in 1848, which did blockade duty, probably at Vera Cruz, but in what capacity he served no records show. He married Jan. 29, 1842, Jane Brewster Robinson, and had four children. He took part in the Civil War, and attained to the rank of a captain. He was mortally wounded in the battle near Drury's Bluff on May 16, 1864, and lived only two hours after being wounded. He is buried in Penacook, New Hampshire.





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The soldiers of the republic were not seekers after vulgar glory. They were not animated by the hope of plunder or the love of conquest. They fought to preserve the homestead of liberty and that their children might have peace. They were the defenders of humanity, the destroyers of prejudice, the breakers of chains, and in the name of the future they slew the monster of their time. They finished what the soldiers of the revolution commenced. They relighted the torch that fell from their august hands and filled the world again with light. They broke the shackles from the limbs of slaves, from the souls of masters, and from the northern brain. They kept our country on the map of the world, and our flag in heaven. They rolled the stone from the sepulchre of progress and found therein two angels clad in shining garments—nationality and liberty.

The soldiers were the saviors of the nation; they were the liberators of men. In writing the proclamation of emancipation, Lincoln, greatest of our mighty dead, whose memory is as gentle as the summer air when reapers sing amid the gathered sheaves, copied with the pen what Grant and his brave comrades wrote with swords.

The soldiers went home to their waiting wives, to their glad children, and to the girls they loved—they went back to the fields, the shops and mines. They had not been demoralized. They had been ennobled. They were as honest in peace as they had been brave in war. Mocking at poverty, laughing at reverses, they made a friend of toil. They said: "We saved the nation's life, and what is life without honor?" They worked and wrought with all of labor's royal sons that every pledge the nation gave might be redeemed. And their great leader, having put a shining band of friendship—a girdle of clasped and happy hands—around the globe, comes home and finds that every promise made in war has now the ring and gleam of gold.

And now let us remember the volunteers—those who sleep in unknown, sunken graves, whose names are only in the hearts of those they loved and left—of those who only hear in happy dreams the footsteps of return. Let us remember those who died without a lipless famine mocked at want; all the maimed whose scars give modesty a tongue; all who dared and gave to chance the care and keeping of their lives; all the living and all the dead—Adapted. Robert G. Ingersoll.

CAPT. HENRY H. AYER (1818), was born in Saratoga, N. Y., Mar. 4, 1810. He learned the trade of a cabinet maker and about 1842 settled at Penacook, New Hampshire, where



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he was prominent in the militia and attained the rank of Major. He served in the War with Mexico in 1848. Mr. Ayer settled in Dover in 1851 on the little farm on County Street now known as the Leeds place. Here he manufactured furniture until the breaking out of the Civil War, when he and the three men in his employ entered into the service of their country.<sup>1</sup> He enlisted in the Massachusetts 2nd where he served temporarily. August 2, 1861, he was commissioned 1st Lieutenant, Company B, Third Infantry, New Hampshire Volunteers, and was mustered in the same day for a three year's service. He was appointed captain of Company H, Aug. 1, 1862. He was a man of strong personality and greatly interested in the success of the war. He enlisted eleven men at Penacook and brought them to camp. His ser-

1. For the military services of the following men, whose ancestry cannot be traced, see the Narrative History of Dover: William H. Allen, John H. Wade, Joseph Bay, James Welsh, Charles Conner, John F. Williams, William Feicht, Erastus L. Fenner, Joseph R. Foss, Henry Gilbert, Hibbard W. Gilman, John T. Gilman (wrongly credited to Dover, belongs to the quota of Danvers, Mass.), John Hogan, William Martin, Charles W. Meyer, Benjamin Miller, Michael O'Donnell, Seth Recard, Phio Recard, Coleman Scofield, Daniel Shuckrove, Lowell N. Smitherest, Erastus Tenor, Samuel G. Thomas, James M. Towle, Herman Blackwell.

2. In the Civil War Dover was one of the most patriotic towns in the Commonwealth. She furnished a surplus of nineteen soldiers over and above every demand. Although few towns had so small a population; she gave in proportion more freely of her youth than any surrounding town; she contributed more liberally of her means than other towns in the vicinity, thus nobly sustaining the time-honored reputation of the town. It cannot be said that Dover soldiers enlisted under the 'craze' which attended the breaking out of the rebellion as a hundred percent more soldiers enlisted in 1862 than in 1861.

Of the town's soldiers two were commissioned officers: Henry H. Ayer, captain; Henry A. Fuller, 1st Lieutenant; five were corporals, as follows: George W. Fearing, Andrew W. Bartlett, George W. Mann, William McAllister, and C. Dwight Hanscom, while Abraham Bigelow was a sergeant.



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vice in the war with Mexico gave him prestige in his regiment. When once understood he was greatly appreciated by his men—"his bravery, his honesty, and his patriotism were never questioned." He rendered efficient service in unloading vessels, and in building fortifications as he had great control over squads of men on account of his firmness. Capt. Ayer did good service in the taking of Morris Island. In this battle he was shot through the neck and at first was believed to have been killed, but in his emphatic way he informed the surgeon "that he did not propose to die." He was active in the work which was successfully accomplished, of transforming his men into a regiment of mounted infantry. He was mortally wounded on Monday, May 16, 1864, in the battle near Drury's Bluff and survived only two hours. Later his body was removed and is now buried at Penacook, New Hampshire. Henry H. Ayer married Jan. 29, 1842, Jane Brewster Robinson, and had four children as follows: Olive; Henry, Emma Jane, Frances Jane, and Marietta.

CALVIN AYRES (109), son of Fisher and Sarah (Worcester) Ayres, was born in Dover, Aug. 12, 1827. He was descended in the third generation from Jesse Ayres of North Brookfield, who served in the Revolution and settled in Dover in 1794, on the Thomas Smith place on Delham Street. Calvin Ayres was a private in the Seventh Battery Light Artillery, Massachusetts Volunteers, and was mustered in May 27, 1862, for a three years' service; discharged Aug. 20, 1862, for disability. He married in 1848 Rebecca Cady of Blackstone; married secondly Sept. 9, 1871, Mary A. McNeil of Natick. Children: Emma M., Sarah J., Ruth E., and George F. He lived on the Fisher place near the "New Mill." Mr. Ayres died Dec. 5, 1883 and is buried on North Avenue in the old part of Highland Cemetery.

SAMUEL H. BACHELDER (brother of the late John P. Bachelder of Dover) was a son of Philip and Sally (Gilman)



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Bachelor, and was born June 13, 1833, in Jay, Maine, and died in Everett, Mass., July 20, 1908, and is buried in Greenwood Cemetery. He was descended from Nathaniel Bachelor of Hampton, N. H., a grandson of the Rev. Stephen, who was born in England in 1561, and came to America in 1632 and became the founder of the town of Hampton in 1638. Samuel H. Bachelor came from good fighting stock, his father having been a soldier in the War of 1812, and his grandfather in the War of the Revolution. He was a private in Company I, Thirty-fifth Regt. of Mass. Volunteers, and was mustered in Aug. 16, 1862, for a three years' service. He was mustered out Jan. 9, 1865, on the expiration of his service. He took part in thirteen engagements as follows: Antietam, Fredericksburg, Jackson, Campbell Station, Siege of Knoxville, Spottsylvania, North Anna, Cove Harbor, Weldon Railroad, South Mountain, Vicksburg, Poplar Spring Church, Hatch's Run. May 1, 1871, he joined the S. C. Lawrence Post 66, G. A. R. He resided in Everett for nearly 20 years. At one time he kept a grocery store with his son, but at the time of his death he was employed by the Boston & Maine Railroad Company as a storekeeper in the car department in Boston. He was a member of New England Lodge, I. O. O. F. of Cambridge. Mr. Bachelor married Apr. 29, 1852, Eliza Jane Langley of East Cambridge. Children: Augustus, Louisa, and William E.

ANDREW W. BARTLETT (110), son of Clement and Frances T. (Whittemore) Bartlett, was born in July, 1837. He was descended in the third generation from William Bartlett of Plymouth, Mass. Andrew W. Bartlett was a private in Company C, Sixth Massachusetts Volunteers, enrolled at Lowell, April 15, 1861, and was mustered in April 22, 1861, for a three months' service; discharged at expiration of service Aug. 2, 1861; enlisted Sept. 23, 1861, in Company I, First Regt. Massachusetts Volunteer Cavalry, and was mustered in Sept. 25, 1861, for a three years' service; transferred to





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Company I, Fourth Regt. Massachusetts Cavalry, and promoted to corporal, re-enlisted Jan. 1, 1864, for three years. He was mortally wounded at Olustee, Fla., Feb. 20, 1864. He was a machinist and made his home with his father on Strawberry Hill (Woodward place). He married Aug. 31, 1861, Margaret, daughter of Perez L. and Margaret J. (Corthell) Fearling. Child: Margaret E. He died at Beaufort, S. C., Feb. 28, 1864, and is there buried in the national cemetery in grave No. 1079.

GEORGE BEMIS, son of Samuel and Mary Ann (Pettin-gell) Bemis, was born in Needham in 1848. Mr. Bemis is a great grandson of Thomas Larrabee, a continental soldier, who was a member of General Washington's Life Guard in the Revolutionary Army. Mr. Bemis was a private in Company K, Forty-second Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. He was mustered in July 18, 1864, for a hundred days' service, and discharged Nov. 11, 1864. He married Aug. 22, 1860, Hilda Ridley. Children: Eva, Effie, Annie, Myrtle, William. Mr. Bemis is an engineer and lives in Sanford, Maine.

ABRAHAM BIGELOW, Jr. (III), son of Abraham and Mary B. (Whitney) Bigelow, was born in Natick, Aug. 17, 1839, and was a shoemaker by trade. He is descended in the eighth generation from John Bigelow, who settled in Wattertown in 1642. He had three great grandfathers and one great great grandfather in the Revolution as follows: William Bigelow and Jason Whitney, who served at the Lexington Alarm; David Jackson, who served in the "eight months'" service around Boston, and Azariah Walker, who was at Concord in Lexington Alarm, also in the "eight months'" service, and later in Rhode Island and New York. Abraham Bigelow, Jr., was a private in Company H, Thirteenth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers; he enlisted June 20, 1861, and was mustered in July 10, 1861, for a three years' service. He was mustered out on the expiration of his service, Aug. 1,



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1864. He was made a corporal Dec. 6, 1862, and sergeant Aug. 1, 1863. While he is credited to Natick his home was in Dover with his father on Farm Street. A comrade with him in the service says: "He was the best soldier I ever met." He is now engaged in the livery business in Wellesley, Mass. He married July 9, 1867, Lydia A., daughter of Capt. Eben and Lydia Higgins. Child: Susan H. Mrs. Bigelow died May 24, 1876. He married secondly, June 11, 1879, Mrs. Lucinda L. (Taylor) Ingraham of Natick.

CHESTER ADAMS BIGELOW (112), son of Abraham and Mary B. (Whitney) Bigelow, was born in Sherborn, Aug. 3, 1844. He was descended in the eighth generation from John Bigelow, the Paritan ancestor. Four of his ancestors were in the Revolution, namely: William Bigelow of Weston and Jason Whitney of Natick, both of whom served at the Lexington Alarm. Daniel Jackson of Newton was in the "eight months' " service about Boston, beginning in May, 1775. Azariah Walker of Framingham was at Concord, Apr. 19, 1775, also in the "eight months' " service. He was afterwards in Rhode Island and New York, where he was a sergeant. Chester A. Bigelow was a musician and served in Company H, Thirteenth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers. He was mustered in Feb. 24, 1862, for a three years' service, transferred July 14, 1864, to Company I, Thirty-ninth Regiment; taken prisoner at Second Bull Run, exchanged the following January, and again taken prisoner at Gettysburg, July 1, 1863; did not serve in the Thirty-ninth Regiment, as he was appointed ward master in a hospital. He was discharged Feb. 23, 1865, on the expiration of his service. He lived with his father on the Dr. William T. Porter place on Farm Street. He married Nov. 1, 1868, Emma E., daughter of Albion K. and Eliza (Brown) Howe, and has no children. Mr. Bigelow is in the service of the Government, being the rural letter carrier at Wellesley. He played the organ in the First Parish Church for a time, and was for many years a member



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of the choir. Mr. Bigelow was a member of the Charles Russell Lowell post of Boston, but withdrew to join Abbott Post of Wellesley.

JOHN M. BROWN (113), son of Mason and Kezia (Perry) Brown, was born Oct. 9, 1828. He was the grandson of John Brown, who was of French parentage, his father and mother having both died on the voyage to America. He was taken as a baby into the family of Seth Mason of Farm Street, where he was brought up. John M. Brown was born on his father's farm on Farm Street. (Benjamin C. Dorr place). His grandfather, John Brown, did guard duty at Castle Island and Roxbury in the Revolution, also served in Rhode Island in 1778. John M. Brown was a private in the Seventh Battery Light Artillery, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, and was mustered in May 14, 1862, for a three years' service. He died at Yorktown, Va., Sept. 2, 1862, and is buried on North Avenue (old part) in Dover Cemetery. He lived on the little farm known for many years as the Lewis Smith place on Farm Street, which was originally a part of his father's farm, the house having been built for him. He was a splendid singer and for some years the leader of the First Parish Church Choir. He married in 1849 Adeline C., daughter of Leonard and Pamela (Cutter) Gay. Children: Linda W., Ada F., and Emma E.

JAMES E. BROWN was born in Marblehead, Mass., Nov. 29, 1844. He was a private in the Eleventh Battery, Light Artillery, Massachusetts Volunteers. He was mustered in Dec. 30, 1864, for a three years' service, and discharged Jan. 16, 1865. He married Mary Florence Wilson. He was a druggist by occupation. Mr. Brown died May 5, 1901, at the National Home, Togus, Maine, and is buried in the Odd Fellows' Lot in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Roxbury, Mass.

JAMES CAREY (114), son of Michael and Mary Carey was born in 1841. He lived with his parents on the Nathan-



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iel Wilson farm on Strawberry Hill Street. He was a private in Company G, Thirty-second Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, and was mustered in for a three years' service May 27, 1862. He died of yellow fever Oct. 25, 1862, near Sharpsburg, Maryland, and was buried in grave No. 892 in the National Cemetery at Antietam, Maryland.

IRVING COLBURN (115), son of Joseph and Martha Fuller (Colburn) Colburn was born in Natick, June 15, 1845, and is descended in the seventh generation from Nathaniel Colburn, who first settled in Dedham, in 1637. On his maternal side his great grandfather, Thomas Colburn, marched at the Lexington Alarm; was a corporal in Capt. Abel Richards' Company in 1777, also went on a secret expedition to Rhode Island. Irving Colburn was a private in Company F, Forty-fourth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, and was mustered in Sept. 12, 1862, for a nine months' service. He was discharged at termination of service June 18, 1863. Mr. Colburn married Jan. 5, 1876, Emma Elizabeth, daughter of Rufus and Lydia (Mann) Battelle. Child: Martha Elizabeth. Mr. Colburn is a farmer, and lives at the corner of Farm and Pegan Streets.

THEODORE L. DUNN (116), son of Theodore and Caroline M. (Babeock) Dunn, was born in West Roxbury, Dec. 22, 1840. He is a grandson of Dr. William Dunn, a surgeon in the United States Navy, and the founder of the firm of apothecaries now represented by Melvin and Badger of Boston. Theodore L. Dunn was a private in Company C, Thirteenth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, and was mustered in Feb. 25, 1862, for a three year's service. He was discharged for disability Dec. 18, 1862. Mr. Dunn is by profession a civil engineer and has held many responsible positions. He was chief engineer of the Wabash system, later Superintendent of the Louisville, Evansville and St. Louis, and





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Hannibal Branch of the Wabash System. He is now the chief engineer of the Maine Central Railroad with an office in Portland.

GEORGE WASHINGTON FEARING (117), son of Perez L. and Margaret J. (Corthell) Fearing, was born in Hingham, Aug. 16, 1837. He was descended in the eighth generation from John Fearing who settled in Hingham in 1638. His great grandfather, Shubel Fearing of Hingham, served at the Lexington Alarm; at Dorchester Heights, also responded to calls for service at Hull. George W. Fearing was a corporal in Company K, Forty-fourth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and was mustered in Sept. 10, 1862, for a nine months' service. He was discharged July 30, 1863, on the expiration of his service. He lived with his father on Strawberry Hill. He married June 11, 1865, Elizabeth A., daughter of Wilmot and Elizabeth H. (Corthell) Cleverly, and settled in Hingham. Child: Herbert Francis.

PEREZ FRANCIS FEARING (118), son of Perez L. and Margaret J. (Corthell) Fearing, was born in Hingham Mass., Aug. 19, 1842. He was descended in the eighth generation from John Fearing, who came from Cambridge, England, and settled in Hingham in 1638. Perez W. Fearing's great grandfather, Shubel Fearing, served at the Lexington Alarm in Capt. Isaiah Cushing's Company, also at Dorchester Heights, in 1776, and later at Hull. Perez F. Fearing was a private in Company I, Thirty-fifth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and was mustered in Aug. 10, 1862, for a three years' service. He was mortally wounded in a mine explosion before Petersburg, July 30, 1864. His home was with his father. He died at Poplar Lawn Hospital Aug. 15, 1864.

LIEUT. HENRY A. FULLER was born in 1838. He was mustered into the service of the United States Feb. 20, 1862, and was commissioned first lieutenant of Company F, Thir-



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tieth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, Oct. 21, 1862. He left the service May 17, 1865, while stationed in New Orleans, La., and has not been further traced. He was a lay preacher in the Methodist Episcopal Church and frequently assisted the Chaplains of the Regiment. He was a man of fine presence and eloquent as a preacher. His sermons often brought tears to the assembled soldiers as his comrades still testify.

EDWIN F. GAY (120), son of Francis G. and Hannah (Thorpe) Gay, was born on his father's farm on the Clay Brook road, Apr. 22, 1844. His great grandfather, Ebenezer Gay of Needham, served in the Revolution in taking and fortifying Dorchester Heights in March 1776; also for two months at Providence during the war. Edwin F. Gay was a private in Company F, Forty-fourth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, mustered in Sept. 12, 1862, for a nine months' service. He was discharged Jan. 18, 1863, on the expiration of his service. He died Jan. 28, 1869, and is buried on North Avenue in Highland Cemetery.

LOUIS E. GILMORE, son of John and Sarah (Burgess) Gilmore, was born in Boston, Dec. 15, 1839. He was a private in Company L, Third Cavalry, Massachusetts Volunteers; and was mustered in for one year's service Dec. 30, 1864, and discharged Sept. 28, 1865, on the expiration of his service. He married Dec. 2, 1866, Annie Shaw. Children: Lewis, Nellie, Benjamin, Frederick, Alfred, Walter, and Clarence. Mr. Gilmore is a ship carpenter and lives at 8 Lowland Street, East Cambridge, Mass.

WILLIAM R. GROCE, son of Nathaniel Smith and Lucy Ann (Ripley) Groce, was born in East Abington (Rockland, Mass.) June 24, 1843. His grandfather, Samuel Groce of Hanover, took part in the Revolution, being a private in Capt. Amos Turner's Company. He enlisted May 3, 1775, and served three months and six days. William R. Groce was a



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private in Company G, Forty-third Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers. He was mustered into the service Sept. 12, 1862, for a nine months' service and was discharged June 30, 1863, on the expiration of his service. He took part in the following battles: Kingston, Whitehall, Goldboro, and Little Washington, N. C. He is at present the Adjutant, and is a Past Commander of Hartsuff Post, No. 74, of Abington, Mass. He married Apr. 3, 1866, Nannie E. Wadsworth of Plymouth. Children: Agnes Gertrude, Clarissa Ripley, Nathaniel Smith. Mr. Groce is superintendent of the Rockland, Mass., water works.

HENRY J. HANKS (121), son of Christopher and Louisa (Miller) Hanks, was born in Needham, Mass., Apr. 20, 1833. His father was born in Philadelphia and was bound out when only eight years of age to learn the trade of a paper maker. Henry J. Hanks was a private in Company L, Fourth Cavalry, having been transferred from the First Massachusetts Volunteers. He was mustered in Oct. 7, 1861, for a three years' service, and discharged October 12, 1864, on the expiration of service. He was in the battle of Deep Bottom, Virginia, where for seven hours his regiment lay on the ground under the fire of the artillery. The noise was so great that it affected his hearing, and he was soon after obliged to take the position of cook to the officers. On one occasion he was in his saddle twenty-four hours without dismounting. Mr. Hanks married Sept. 10, 1855, Sarah A., daughter of Daniel and Mary (Corliss) Mann, and for a time lived on the Capt. Wotton place on Haven Street. He was a most faithful member of Moses Ellis Post of Medfield. Children: Arabella and Sarah A. Mr. Hanks was at one time employed in the manufacture of paper in New Hampshire. He died Feb. 13, 1897, and is buried in Vine Lake Cemetery, Medfield.

WILLIAM G. HART (122), son of William and Betsey (Hatch) Hart, was born in Montville, Maine, Oct. 14, 1847, and lived with his father on Cross Street, Dover. He was a



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private in Company K, Forty-second Massachusetts Volunteers, one hundred days' service; he was mustered in July 18, 1864, and discharged Nov. 11, 1864, at the expiration of his service. He took part in the battle at Whitehouse Landing. He is an officer and prominent member of the Galen Orr Post of Needham. Mr. Hart married at Franklin, Mass., July 24, 1868, Anna M. Nottage. Children; Frank E., Lewis E., Walter N., Chester G., Laura A., and Harry C. Mr. Hart lives in Needham and is a mason by trade.

C. DWIGHT HANSCOM (123), son of Nathaniel and Sarah Jane (Goss) Hanscom, was born in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, Feb. 17, 1838. He was a private in Company I, Second Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and enlisted May 15, 1861, for three years' service, promoted to corporal Dec. 22, 1861. He had his hip shattered by a rebel musket ball at Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863, and was crippled for life. He was discharged in consequence of his wounds Dec. 12, 1863.<sup>1</sup> He is reported to have been an excellent soldier. Mr. Hanscom was a carpenter and lived with A. K. Howe on Farm Street. C. Dwight Hanscom married in 1868 Mary E. Rogers and has one son and three daughters. He resides in Portsmouth, N. H., and is an auctioneer and real estate broker. Mr. Hanscom was a charter member of the first Grand Army Post as organized in New Hampshire, that of Storer Post of Portsmouth.

HENRY C. JENNINGS, son of George and Catherine (Knoll) Jennings, was born in Clarence, Niagara County, N. Y., in 1834, and was a boatman by occupation. He was a private in Company G, Nineteenth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers. He was mustered in for a three years' service

\* His brother Creighton G. Hanscom, who once lived in Dover, was a private in Company I, Second Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and was killed at Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863.





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April 22, 1864, and died at Middleport, New York, Aug. 6, 1864. He was in the battle near Petersburg, June 23, 1864; also at the battle at Cold Harbor, where he was wounded. Mr. Jennings married in 1856, Harriet M. Wilcox. Children; Truman, George and Mary.

WILLIAM LENNON, son of Michael and Ellen (Lambert) Lennon, was born in Roxbury, Mass., in 1846. His youthful enthusiasm was so great that it led him to enlist at the age of sixteen years. He served the term of his entire enlistment of three years in the army. He was a private in the Fourteenth Battery, Light Artillery Massachusetts Volunteers, and was mustered into the service of the United States March 4, 1862; and discharged June 15, 1865, on the expiration of his service. He took part in the battle at Petersburg, also at Frederick, and helped storm Fort Steelman. After the close of the war he learned the trade of an iron moulder, which occupation he has since followed. He is unmarried and lives in Cambridge, Mass.

AUGUSTUS A. LEACH, son of Giles G. and Prudence S. (Leggett) Leach, was born in Stoughton, Mass., Dec. 20, 1842. He is descended in the ninth generation from Lawrence Leach, one of the "planters" who came over from England with the Rev. Francis Higginson in 1620, and settled in Salem. He was a man of repute in England, and no less a prominent man in America. Mr. Leach has good revolutionary blood in his veins, being descended from three soldiers of the Revolution on his paternal side. His great-grandfather, Giles Leach, marched at Bristol, R. I., in December, 1776, as a private in Capt. Joseph Keli's Company, also marched to Rhode Island in July, 1778, in Capt. Nathan Packard's Company; also marched to Tiverton, R. I., in August, 1780, in Lieut. Samuel Dunbar's Company. His great-great-grandfather, Joseph Gilbert, went with Capt. Edward Blake's Com-



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pany as a private on a secret expedition to Rhode Island in 1777. His great-grandfather Gilbert was a private in Capt. Macey Williams' Company, and marched at the Lexington Alarm April 19, 1775, also served in Capt. Samuel Robinson's Company in Rhode Island in July, 1778, also marched in Capt. Josiah Keith's Company to Tiverton, R. I., in August, 1780. Augustus A. Leach was a private in Company C, Second Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers. He was mustered into the service July 30, 1862, for three years, and discharged for disability Sept. 23, 1862. He married Sept. 16, 1875, Annie E. Martin, and has no issue. He is employed by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, in the Union Station at Providence, R. I.

ELBRIDGE L. MANN (125), son of Ellis and Betsey (Wight) Mann, was born on the George C. Taylor farm May 14, 1834. He is descended in the eighth generation from William Mann, the Puritan, who settled in Cambridge, Mass. Elbridge L. Mann's great-grandfather, James Mann, marched under Capt. Ebenezer Battelle at the Lexington Alarm. He also served under Capt. Daniel Whiting at Dorchester Heights. He was a private in Company B, Forty-second Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and was mustered in Sept. 22, 1862, for a nine months' service; discharged Aug. 20, 1863, on the expiration of his service. He married Nov. 27, 1864, Adeline B. Goulding. Children: Lillian Jane, Maurice Walton, George Ellis, Elsie Maria, Sarah Alice. He is a farmer and lives at the corner of Main and Pleasant Streets. Mr. Mann has been for many years a member of Gen. Wadsworth Post of Natick.

GEORGE H. MANN (126), son of Ellis and Betsey (Wight) Mann, was born on the Mann homestead on Walpole Street, Aug. 7, 1840. He was descended in the eighth generation from William Mann. George H. Mann's great-grandfather, James Mann, served at the Lexington Alarm



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April 19, 1775; also at Dorchester Heights in 1776. He was corporal in Company K, Forty-fourth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and was mustered in Sept. 12, 1862, for a nine months' service; discharged June 18, 1863, on the expiration of his service. Mr. Mann was engaged in the grocery business, first for himself, and later as a traveling salesman. He married Dec. 6, 1864, Ruthie, daughter of George and Alvina Coolidge of Sherborn. Children: Emma F., Henry W., and Edward. He died at his home in Malden, July 8, 1902, and is buried in Sherborn.

JAMES G. MANN (127), son of Daniel and Mary F. (Corliss) Mann, was born in Dover, Jan. 20, 1840. He is descended in the eighth generation from William Mann, who settled in Cambridge. His great-grandfather, James Mann, served at the Lexington Alarm, also at Dorchester Heights. James G. Mann was a private in Company B, Forty-second Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and enlisted for a nine months' service. He was mustered in Sept. 23, 1862, and discharged Aug. 20, 1863, on the expiration of his service. He is a farmer, and lives on Main Street. He married in January, 1866, Lydia Ann Jones, married secondly, July 27, 1872, Susan E. Beals of Boston; married thirdly, July 4, 1885, Mrs. Mary (McCullough) Boundford. Children: Alice L., Addie E., James D. Mr. Mann was for many years a member of the Charles Beck Post of Cambridge.

ELLIS MARDEN (128), son of Jeremiah and Mary L. (Bodge) Marden, was born on the Marden homestead on Willow Street, Jan. 8, 1823. He was a private in Company B, First Cavalry, Massachusetts Volunteers, mustered in Sept. 17, 1861, three years' service; deserted Dec. 31, 1862, at Camp Parole, Annapolis, Md. He was a foreman in a Boston pianoforte factory. He married Dec. 25, 1845, Mary P. daughter of Nathaniel and Sarah (Pope) Webster. Chil-



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dren: Ellis Webster, Marietta, and Elizabeth. The date of his death and the place of his burial are unknown.

WILLIAM McALLISTER, son of James and Betsey (Thrasher) McAllister, was born in Middleboro, Mass., May 3, 1844. He was a corporal in Company J, Fourth Heavy Artillery, Massachusetts Volunteers and was mustered in for one year's service Aug. 14, 1864. He was discharged June 17, 1865, on the expiration of his service. Mr. McAllister is a member of the E. W. Pierce Post No. 8, G. A. R. He married Sept. 27, 1865, Abby, daughter of Galen and Betsey Warren. Children: Ella F., Everett C., Arthur C. Mr. McAllister is a blacksmith by trade, and lives on Plymouth Street, Middleboro, Mass.

JOHN McLAUGHLIN, son of John and Susan T. (Kimball) McLaughlin, was born in Salem, N. H., April 17, 1843. He was a private in Company I, Fourth Heavy Artillery, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, and was mustered in for one year's service Aug. 17, 1864; he was discharged at the expiration of his service, June 17, 1865. He married Jan. 10, 1878, Carrie H. Batchelder. He is a produce dealer, and lives in Haverhill, Mass.

GEORGE R. MARKHAM (129), was born in Boston in 1843. He came to Dover when a boy through the Children's Mission. He was placed in the family of Dea. Daniel Chickering, where he lived for several years. George R. Markham was a private in Company H, Thirteenth Infantry, and was mustered in Feb. 24, 1862, for a three years' service; he was in the battle at Cedar Mountain, Aug. 9, 1862; Rappahannock Station, Aug. 28, 1862, and killed at Bull Run, Aug. 30, 1862. Comrades have said of him that as his company retreated he turned to fire one more shot at the enemy, and in so doing received his own death wound. He was a shoemaker





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as well as a farm helper, and worked in Dover for several years before enlisting in the Army.

THOMAS MONROE, wrongly credited to Boston, age thirty-two, was a private in Company E, Third Heavy Artillery. He was mustered in Oct. 19, 1863, for a three years' service, and was discharged Sept. 6, 1865. He was a single man, and lived in Dover for many years. He is buried on North Avenue, Highland Cemetery.

TIMOTHY O'RAGAN, son of Jeremiah and Ann (Ryan) O'Ragan, was born in Ireland, County of Cork, June 14, 1844. He was a private in Co. B, Forty-fifth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers; he was mustered in Sept. 26, 1862, for a nine months' service, and mustered out July 7, 1863, on the expiration of his service. He took part in the battles of Kingston, Whitehall and Goldsboro, N. C. He is unmarried and a shoemaker by occupation. Mr. O'Ragan is an inmate of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers at Togus, Maine. (He is wrongly credited to Needham, Mass.)

FREDERICK E. SMITH (130), son of Lewis and Eliza (Wilson) Smith, was born on the Smith homestead on Dedham Street (Michael Comiskey place), Feb. 6, 1846. He is descended in the eighth generation from Robert Smith, who first appeared in the settlement of Exeter, New Hampshire, in 1639. His great-grandfather, Ebenezer Smith, responded to the Lexington Alarm, also served in fortifying Dorchester Heights in 1776. Frederick E. Smith was a private in Company H, Sixteenth Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, one hundred days' service; he was mustered in July 23, 1864, and mustered out Nov. 30, 1864. Mr. Smith married May 28, 1872, Ida D. Albee. Children: Stephen Frederick, Henry Lewis, and Harriet Elvya. He lives in Hopdale, and is yard foreman for the Draper Manufacturing Company.



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LEWIS SMITH, JR. (131), son of Lewis and Eliza (Wilson) Smith, was born on the homestead on Dedham Street, Nov. 12, 1843, and was descended in the eighth generation from Robert Smith of Eveset. His great-grandfather, Ebenezer Smith, marched with the Springfield Parish Company of Minute Men under Capt. Ebenezer Bateille, April 19, 1775; he also served at Dorchester Heights. Lewis Smith was a private in Company M, First Calvary, Massachusetts Volunteers, three years' service. He was mustered in Sept. 23, 1861, and transferred to Company M, Fourth Cavalry; he was discharged Sept. 24, 1864, on the expiration of his service. Mr. Smith married Aug. 2, 1866, Hattie F. Pratt. Children: Susan and Grace. He resides in Fitchburg, and was foreman for many years in the Wilson and Hayward Foundry.

HOWARD A. STAPLES, son of Joseph and Betsey A. (Howe) Staples, was born in Hanover, Maine, March 27, 1840. He was a private in Company H, Thirteenth Massachusetts Volunteers. He enlisted for a three years' service, and was mustered in Feb. 21, 1862; wounded at Gettysburg July 3, 1863, and transferred to Thirty-ninth Regiment July 14, 1864. He was discharged March 2, 1865. At one time he did special work in a hospital at Chester, Penn. His services were highly commended. He was a contractor and builder; he learned the carpenter's trade of A. K. Howe in Dover. He married in Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 26, 1868, Rosabella Towell. Children: Elizabeth M. and Charles Clinton. He died in Denver, Colorado, May 2, 1879, and is buried in Riverside Cemetery in that city.

JOHN STEVENS was born in Sligo, Ireland, in 1834. He was a private in the Thirteenth Independent Battery, Massachusetts Light Artillery. He was mustered in for a three years' service April 21, 1864, and died Nov. 21, 1864, at the Marine General Hospital, New Orleans, La., of chronic diarrhoea.



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EUGENE SUMNER (132) was born in Fall River, in 1842. He was a cabinet maker by trade, and worked for Capt. Henry H. Ayer. He enlisted May 25, 1861, and was a private in Company E, Second Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, and was mustered into the service of the United States May 25, 1861, for a three years' service. He seems to have been sick in the hospital for a long time. April 30, 1863, Mr. Sumner was in the hospital at Frederick, Md., and was later reported as "absent sick." It does not appear that he was ever able to rejoin his regiment, but his death and burial show that he continued in the service. Mr. Sumner died July 27, 1864, and is buried in grave number 2259, in the Cave Hill National Cemetery, Louisville, Ky.

JOHN A. STRANG (133), son of Daniel and Susanna (Chappell) Strang, was born in Tidnish, New Brunswick, March 6, 1840. He was a private in Company F, Fourth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and was mustered in May 22, 1861, for a three months' service. He was discharged July 22, 1861, and re-enlisted, being placed to the credit of Medfield. He participated in seven battles, and was wounded at Aldie, Virginia, June 17, 1863. He died June 28, 1863, in Washington, D. C., and was buried in Medfield. He was a cabinet maker, and worked for Capt. Henry H. Ayer, on County Street, Dover. He was unmarried.

LEVI A. TALBOT, (134) son of Asa and Elizabeth (Hodges) Talbot was born in Sharon June 11, 1842, and is descended in the seventh generation from Peter Talbot, who came from England to America about 1670, and settled in Dorchester. His great grandfather Josiah Talbot took part in the Revolution and his grandfather Enoch Talbot served in the war of 1812. Levi A. Talbot was a private in Company B, Forty-second Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and enlisted for a nine months' service. He was mustered in Sept.



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22, 1862, and discharged Aug. 20, 1863, on the expiration of service. Mr. Talbot married November 24, 1881, Bessie Bell, and has no children. He is a farmer and lives on Farto Street, Dover. He was for a long time a member of G. A. R. Post No. 117 of Medfield.

ANSEL KLEBER TISDALE (1835), son of William and Sybil C. (Tisdale) Tisdale, was born on the Tisdale Homestead on Hartford Street, Jan. 8, 1841, and is descended in the eighth generation from John Tisdale, who located in Duxbury in 1637, and subsequently moved to Taunton. He was killed by the Indians in King Philip's War. Ansel K. Tisdale was a private in Company H, Thirteenth Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and enlisted for a three years' service. He was mustered in Aug. 18, 1862, and discharged Nov. 20, 1862, for disability. Mr. Tisdale had several ancestors who took part in the Revolution, including his paternal great grandfather, Henry Tisdale, who was at the Lexington Alarm, also at Dorchester Heights; while his great grandfather Samuel Fisher took part at the Lexington Alarm. His maternal great grandfather, Capt. James Tisdale, responded at the Lexington Alarm, was engaged in the siege of Boston, and later went with his company under Arnold on that terrible expedition through the wilderness of Maine to the invasion of Canada. Before Quebec he was shot through the shoulder and taken prisoner on Dec. 31, 1775. He was commissioned a Captain in the Massachusetts 3rd Regiment under Col. Gorton in 1778, and served to the close of the war. Capt. Tisdale was strongly opposed to human slavery and his words on this subject are still recalled by his descendants. "The clause in the constitution which allows slavery to legally exist is a blot upon the nation and it will either totally disrupt this nation or cause a civil war which will cost the country thousands upon thousands of lives. It will not come in my day, but come it will, and our descendants will be in it as I was in the Revolution." All this became literally true in his great grandson, the sub-





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ject of this sketch. Ansel K. Tisdale married June 26, 1867, Caroline M., daughter of Theodore and Caroline (Babcock) Dunn. Child; William Theodore. Mr. Tisdale now lives in Allston, having moved from Dover in 1905. He served his townsmen in several important offices and was the choir director in the First Parish Church for many years. He has been for nearly forty years a correspondent of the Dedham Transcript and is now connected with the Boston Courier, having charge of the Grand Army Department. He is a member of Moses Ellis Post of Melfield, and an Aide on the Department Commander's Staff of the Massachusetts G. A. R. He was at one time a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company and is an ex-president of the Dover Historical Society, and the Dover Temperance Union. Mr. Tisdale early made a collection of photographs of Dover soldiers. This collection which is of great interest is now in possession of the Dover Historical Society.

BENJAMIN W. THOMAS, son of Dandridge and Ann Caroline (Slade) Thomas was born in Auburn, Mass., July 15, 1839. He was a private in Company B, Fifth Cavalry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and was mustered in for a three years' service Jan. 29, 1864; discharged Oct. 31, 1865. He did not engage in any battles but was detailed to guard confederate prisoners in Maryland and Virginia. He married July 28, 1877, Catherine Ann Turner. Children: Albert Benjamin, Edward E., Helen Gertrude, Arthur C., Charles B., Walter W. Mr. Thomas is a laborer and lives in Natick, Mass.

WILLIAM H. THOMAS, son of Dandridge and Ann Caroline (Slade) Thomas, was born in Natick, Mass., April 7, 1847. He was a private in Company B, Fifth Cavalry, Massachusetts Volunteers; and was mustered in for a three years' service January 29, 1864; discharged Oct. 31, 1865. He married Dec. 11, 1875, Emma J. Young. Children, Mary,



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Alice, Henrietta, John Richman, Nellie A., William H., Samuel J., Emma E., Frederick R. L., Jennie L., Marion and Hattie. He was in the battle at Baylor's Farm. Mr. Tyler as is a shoemaker and lives at Natick, Mass.

CHARLES H. TYLER, son of Henry L. and Albrana (Strout) Tyler was born in Milford, Mass., in 1848. He was a private in the Second Cavalry, Massachusetts Volunteers. He enlisted Feb. 12, 1865, and was mustered out July 20, 1865. Mr. Tyler is married, Children: Annie, Maud, Henry, Walter, and Marietta. He is now engaged in farming at Chillicothe, Ill., having been previously one of the proprietors of the Maple Leaf Dairy in Chillicothe.

PATRICK WALL, (136) son of Garrett and Mary Wall, was born in Kilkenny, Ireland, April 1, 1816. He was a private in Company A, Twenty-eighth Infantry of Massachusetts Volunteers and enlisted for a three years' service; he was mustered in Dec. 13, 1861, and discharged Nov. 9, 1862, for disability. When his company was en route for the seat of war, he was pushed from the platform of the moving train, where he had been placed as a door keeper, somewhere between Boston and Worcester. He sustained such serious injuries that his left leg was amputated. He married at Watertown, Mass., in 1849, Eliza, daughter of Martin and Eliza Nash, who was born in Kilkenny, June 13, 1818. After a few months' residence in Wellesley, Mr. Wall settled in Dover (Dandrow farm), on Dedham Street, where all of his thirteen children were born. Ten children grew to maturity, as follows: William H., Martin, John, Edward, Mary, Joseph J., James E., Elizabeth M., George E., and Philip H. Mr. Wall died Jan. 11, 1890, and is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Natick.

MICHAEL WELSH was born in Ireland in 1840. He was a private in Company B, Sixty-first Infantry, Massachusetts



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Volunteers. He was mustered in for a one year's service Sept. 1, 1864, and was discharged after the close of the war June 4, 1865. He was unmarried and a laborer by occupation. Mr. Welsh was admitted to the Illinois Soldiers' Home at Quincy, June 11, 1890. He died August 13, 1905, and was buried in St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery near the city of Quincy.

ITHAMAR WHITING, (137) son of Rufus and Melinda (Stanley) Whiting was born on Springdale Avenue, Aug. 24, 1839, and was descended in the sixth generation from Nathaniel Whiting who came to America in 1630 and soon after settled in Dedham. His grandfather Aaron Whiting served at the Lexington Alarm; took part in the Battle of Bunker Hill, and helped to fortify Dorchester Heights. He was a sergeant in Brewer's Regiment and served for more than thirteen months during the siege of Boston. Ithamar Whiting was a private in Company E, Fifth Infantry Massachusetts Volunteers, and enlisted for one hundred days' service; he was mustered in July 22, 1864, and discharged Nov. 16, 1864, on the expiration of his service. Mr. Whiting was a fine tenor singer. He married Nov. 13, 1876, Mary Stacy, who died in 1898. He lived on Springdale Avenue, (Frank C. Lord place), where he died Nov. 27, 1901, and is buried in the family lot in Highland Cemetery. He was a member of Gen. Wadsworth Post of Natick.

WILLIAM WHITING, (138) son of Jonathan and Lucy (Jones) Whiting was born on Pine Street at the Whiting homestead Jan. 23, 1828, and is descended in the sixth generation from Nathaniel Whiting, the emigrant. His grandfather Aaron Whiting marched at the Lexington Alarm under Capt. Ebenezer Battelle. He was in the Battle of Bunker Hill and took part in fortifying Dorchester Heights. He was for thirteen months and fifteen days in the service in and around Boston. William Whiting was a private in Company E,



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Forty-second Infantry Massachusetts Volunteers, and enlisted for a nine months' service, he was mustered in Sept. 22, 1862, and discharged Aug. 26, 1863, on the expiration of his service. Mr. Whiting married Oct. 14, 1852, Hannah Purdy. Children: Anna, Everett W. and Wesley W. He was a farmer and lived on Springdale Avenue. Mr. Whiting died in 1907 and is buried in Highland Cemetery.

ALBERT A. WOODS, (130) son of William and Melitabile (Whiting) Woods, was born in Dover in 1841. On his maternal side he was descended in the fourth generation from Aaron Whiting, who served at the Lexington Alarm, Battle of Bunker Hill, and at the Siege of Boston. Albert A. Woods was a private in Company K, Third Cavalry, Massachusetts Volunteers, and enlisted for a three years' service; he was mustered in Aug. 6, 1862, and died March 21, 1863, in New Orleans, La.

GEORGE H. WISE, (140) son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Bagley) Wise was born in Boston June 27, 1841. He was a private in Company A, Twenty-ninth Massachusetts Volunteers, three years' service. He enlisted May 9, 1861, and was transferred to Company I, Thirty-sixth Massachusetts Volunteers; he was mustered out Aug. 15, 1864. Mr. Wise was in seventeen battles and was wounded twice, and has been a life long sufferer from his second wound. He lived in Dover with Frederick H. Wight, and followed the trade of a shoemaker. He married in October, 1864, Dorothea E. Borne-man. Children: Amber O., Leon B., Caroline E., Addie E., Laura, George H., and Daniel. His wife died in December 1882. He married secondly Apr. 30, 1887, Caroline E. Dewing. He resides in Wellesley.





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I love the navy. When I speak of the navy I mean the sailor as well as the officer. In many a bloody conflict has the superiority of American sailors decided the battle in our favor. Look to your history, that part which the world knows by heart, and you will find on its brightest page the glorious achievements of the American sailor. Man for man he asks no odds, and he cares for no odds when the cause of humanity, or the glory of his country calls him to fight. Who, in the darkest days of our revolution, carried your flag into the very chops of the British channel, bearded the lion in his den, and awoke the echo of old Minerva's hills by the thunder of his cannon, and the shouts of his triumph? It was the American sailor! and the names of John Paul Jones and the Bon Homme Richard, will go down the annals of time forever. Who struck the first blow that humbled the Barbary flag, which for a hundred years had been the terror of Christendom, drove it from the Mediterranean, and put an end to the millions tribute it had been accustomed to exact? It was the American sailor! and the names of Deceatur and his gallant companions will be as lasting as monumental brass.

In the war of 1812, when your arms on shore were covered with disaster, when Wilkinson had been defeated, when the army of the northwest had surrendered, when the gloom of despondency hung like a cloud over the land—who first rebolt the ties of national glory and made the welkin ring with shouts of victory? It was the American sailor! and the names of Hull and the "Constitution" will hereafter be remembered as long as we have a country to love. That one event was worth more to the country than all the money which has ever been expended for a navy. Since that time the Navy has had no stain upon its national escutcheon, but has been enriched as your pride and glory. The American sailor has established a reputation throughout the world for a heroism and prowess unsurpassed.—Adapted, Capt. Robert F. Stockton.

JOHN F. FROST (116), son of John and Ann Frost, was born in Dorchester in 1829. He enlisted August 8, 1864, in



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the Navy for a three years' service, serving on the United States ships "Ohio," "Brooklyn," "John Adams," and "Columbia;" discharged June 3, 1865. He was a blacksmith. Mr. Frost married Sept. 28, 1865, Mrs. Rachel M. (Hotchkiss) Roland, and had no issue. He lived in the Marden house on Willow Street. He died 1880, and is buried on North Avenue, Highland Cemetery.

WILLARD H. HOTCHKISS (124), son of John H. and Lucinda M. (Newell) Hotchkiss, was born in Needham, Aug. 8, 1841. He enlisted in the Navy Aug. 8, 1864, for one year's service, serving in the United States ships, "Dumbar-ton" and "Lodona." He was discharged from the "Princeton" June 11, 1865. He was a fireman by occupation. Mr. Hotchkiss lived on Dover Street in a house which was located near the entrance to the Cheney estate. He married at Norfolk, Mass., in 1893, Mrs. Sarah (Vail) Murray, widow of James Murray, and had no issue. He died Oct. 16, 1903, and is buried in Maple Grove Cemetery, Walpole, Mass.

ROBERT E. MITCHELL, son of George and Hannah (Moody) Mitchell, was born in Yorkshire, England, Jan. 5, 1834, of Scotch parentage. Robert Mitchell enlisted in the United States Navy Aug. 8, 1864, for one year's service. He served on the United States ships "Ohio" and "Brooklyn," and was in the engagement at Port Royal, Hampton Roads, and for three days at the capture of Fort Fisher, Jan. 13-15, 1865, serving under Admiral Porter in the engineer's department. He was discharged June 11, 1865, from the "Princeton." He married in Boston April 13, 1850, Eliza Fox. Child: Charles H. He was a stone mason by trade, and lived at Charles River Village, on the Needham side of the river. Mr. Mitchell died Sept. 4, 1905, and is buried off of South Avenue in Highland Cemetery. He was a member of Galen Orr Post of Needham.



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ALFRED A. STIMSON, son of John and Eliza (Green) Stimson, was born in Rockport, Mass., July 9, 1845. He enlisted Oct. 13, 1862, for one year's service in the Navy. He served on United States ships "Ohio," "Colorado," and "Lafayette," and was discharged Feb. 14, 1863. Was in an encounter with the "Alabama" in February, 1863. Married 1st, Marianna Mills, 2nd, Kate Johnson. Children: John A., Henry E., Lewis G., Marie Louise, Arthur M., Herbert G., Epta J., Howard W., Alfred A., and Catherine. Mr. Stimson is engaged in general business, and lives at 156 East Cottage Street, Roxbury.



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The magnitude of the victory at Manila can hardly be measured by the ordinary standards of naval warfare. Outweighing any material advantage is the moral effect of this initial success. At this unsurpassed achievement the great heart of our nation throbs, not with boasting or with greed of conquest, but with deep gratitude that this triumph has come in a just cause, and that by the grace of God an effective step has thus been taken toward the attainment of the wished-for peace. To those whose skill, courage and devotion have won the fight, to the gallant commander and the brave officers and men who aided him our country owes an incalculable debt.—Message of President McKinley to Congress May 9, 1898.

WILLIAM E. BOUNDFORD (141), son of Philip and Mary (McCullough) Boundford, was born in Bradford, Mass., Aug. 30, 1872. He was a private in Company L, Ninth Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, enlisted May 4, 1898, mustered into the service of the United States May 10, 1898, for two years; mustered out Nov. 26, 1898. He served in the battle of San Juan, and siege of Santiago. Mr. Boundford married Jan. 14, 1899, Mary Suee, of Natick. He lives on Main Street, and is in the employ of the Postoffice Department, being the Dover Rural Free Delivery carrier.

JOSEPH RICHARD HEARD (142), son of Richard Pyne and Hannah Maria (Hosford) Heard, of Pine Street, was born in Ballymacowen, County of Cork, Ireland, May 14, 1874, and is descended in the fourth generation from John Heard of Ireland. He came to America with his parents when a youth. Mr. Heard enlisted in the United States Navy





## SPANISH WAR

at Boston July 25, 1895, and was discharged from the United States ship "Monocacy" at Taka, North China, July 24, 1900. He was dismissed with the record of excellent character, and recommended for promotion to corporal. He took part in the naval battle of Cavite May 1, 1898, being on board the United States ship "Raleigh"; also in the bombardment of Fort Malati, Aug. 13, 1898. He was serving on the "Raleigh" when she received the surrender of the "Corregidor Island," also the "Isle de Grande Subig Bay," also took part in the capture of the gunboat "Calloa," May 12, 1898. He was orderly for Capt. Coghlan of the "Raleigh" during the naval operations at Manila. He took part in the defence of Tien Tsin during the Boxer uprising from June 9 to July 13, 1906. He entered Peking with the International troops as a civilian employed in the United States Quartermaster's department, but took no part in the fighting. Mr. Heard is now employed (1908) in the Chinese Customs Service as an assistant examiner, having entered Aug. 5, 1901; he has had several promotions. He married in Shanghai, China, May 12, 1904, Margaret Green. Children: Eileen Margaret and Kathleen Constance. He has the honor of bearing a Dewey Medal, which was bestowed by an act of Congress May 12, 1898, when the Secretary of the Navy was authorized to cause to be struck bronze medals commemorative of the battle of Manila Bay, which were distributed to the officers and men of the ships of the Asiatic Squadron of the United States Navy, which entered the harbor of Manila at daybreak on the 1st day of May, 1898, and immediately engaged the entire Spanish fleet of eleven ships, which were under the protection of the forces of the land forts. After a stubborn fight in which the enemy suffered great loss, these vessels were destroyed or completely disabled, and the water battery silenced. Of the brave men of the United States Navy not one was lost, and only eight injured and those slightly, the entire fleet escaping without serious damage.



## DOVER SOLDIERS

RICHARD C. SPEAR (143), son of the late Charles C. J. Spear and Emma E. (Spear) Spear, of Dedham Street, was born in Boston, Oct. 4, 1879. He was a private in Company C, Fifth Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. Enlisted June 20, 1898, and mustered into the service of the United States July 2, 1898, for two years' service; mustered out May 31, 1899. He married Dec. 31, 1903, Hannah Buckley. He is a carpenter, and lives in San Francisco, Cal.

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The glory of the patriot is the country he has saved.

GEORGE F. HOAR.



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